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AND DEVOUT

INSTRUCTIONS

FOR

*Different times & Duties of
the Day.*



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FOR

Oportet semper orare & non deficere. Luc. 18. 1.

We ought always to pray & not to cease.

Oratio iusti clavis est Cæli. S. Aug.


The prayer of a just man is the key of heaven.

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NECESSARY RULES FOR A CHRISTIAN.

YOU must often examine your thoughts, words & actions, and direct them all to the great end of man, which is to love and serve God in this life, and to be happy with him for ever in the next.

Have a care of saying any thing, which is not for the honor of God or your Neighbour's good.

Often call to mind your life-past, & what our Blessed Saviour suffer'd for you in every hour of his.

Offer your self entirely to God; you belong to him wholly by Creation; what will you give him for having redeem'd you?

When you appear in public, shew a decent & modest behaviour.

Remember wherever you are, Almighty God both sees & hears you.

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Never go to Bed with any disquiet of Conscience; go first to Confession, if you have an opportunity; if you have not, endeavour at least to make an act of Contrition, with a purpose of confessing as soon as you can.

Accustom your self to make short acts of Contrition often each day.

Never fail daily to be present at Holy Mass.

Have some set Devotion to our B. Lady, & be constant in it.

When you awake, make the sign of the Cross, & thank Almighty God for having protected you hitherto, begging of him those graces, he knows you stand most in need of. Then firmly purpose not to do any thing wilfully that day, whereby God or your Neighbour may be offended.



MORNING PRAYER.

At your rising say,



*In the Name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.*

IN the Name of our Lord JESUS-CHRIST
crucified I arise; blest me, O Lord,
defend, govern and keep me; and after
this short and miserable pilgrimage bring
me to everlasting happiness. *Amen.*

Holy Trinity one God, to thy
protection I recommend my soul and
body; deliver me this day from all sin,
and preserve me from a sudden and un-
provided death. *Amen.*

O merciful Jesus, I beseech thee by thy
most sacred death and passion to grant
me pardon, and full remission of all
my sins. *Amen.*

O Angel of God, to whose care
I am committed by the supreme clemency,
defend me from all danger, *Amen.*

Holy Mother of God, protect me this
day from all evil; but especially at the
hour of my death, assist me by thy power-
ful intercession. *Amen.*

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IN the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, *Amen.*

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer.

OUr Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name: Thy Kingdom come: Thy Will be done on Earth, as it is in Heaven: Give us this Day our daily Bread: And forgive us our Trespases as we forgive them that trespass against us: And lead us not into Temptation: But deliver us from Evil. *Amen.*

The Angelical Salutation.

HAil Mary full of Grace, our Lord is with thee: Blessed art thou among Women; and blessed is the Fruit of thy Womb JESUS: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us Sinners now, and at the Hour of our Death. *Amen.*

The Apostles Creed.

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. And in JESUS CHRIST his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

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born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into Hell; the third Day he rose again from the Dead; he ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the Right-hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the Living and the Dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body; and Life everlasting. *Amen.*

An act of Faith of the Presence of God.

O My God, I firmly believe thou art here, and perfectly seest me, and that thou observest all my actions, all my thoughts, and the most secret motions of my heart. Canst thou suffer in thy holy presence a sinner, who has so often offended thee? It is thy goodness and liberality, which invite and command my poverty to come to thee. Give me therefore grace to pray as I ought.

Come, O holy Spirit! fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

V. Send forth thy Spirit, and our hearts will be regenerated.

R. And thou wilt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Ghost didst instruct the hearts of the faithful, give us by this same Holy Spirit, a love and relish for what is right and just, and the constant enjoyment of his comforts. Thro' Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

An Act of Adoration and Thanksgiving.

O My God! I adore thee as my Creator and my sovereign good; and with all possible thanksgiving I acknowledge the many benefits thou hast conferred upon me, in relation both to body and soul. Thou hast created me of nothing; redeemed me by the death of thy Son; sanctified me by the grace of thy Holy Spirit; preserved me from an infinity of dangers, and from hell-fire, which I have deserved by my sins. Thou knowest I am an unprofitable and an ungrateful Servant, nevertheless thou hast all this time had patience with me; thou hast preserved me the night past, and given me this present day, that I may labour with more care and diligence than I have hitherto done, to obtain the crown of immortal glory, which thy goodness has prepared for me. O my God! how good thou art towards

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me; what return can I make for such innumerable benefits? I will bless thy holy name, and serve thee all the days of my life.

Here call to mind the chief sins of your life past, and make resolutions against the temptations and dangerous occasions you may perhaps meet with during the day.

An Act of Contrition with good Resolutions.

O My God! how ill have I hitherto lived! how little have I done for thee! I am heartily sorry I have mispent and lost that time in offending thee, which thy infinite goodness gave me to be employed in thy service, in advancing the good of my soul, and in purchasing everlasting life: I detest all the sins I have committed against thy divine Majesty: I am sorry that I have offended thee, because thou art infinitely good, & sin is infinitely displeasing to thee: I love thee with my whole heart and soul, and I firmly purpose by the help of thy grace to serve thee more faithfully for the future. Receive, I beseech thee, the remainder of my life, I renew my promises made in Baptism; I renounce the devil, his works, and all his pomps: I now begin and will endeavour to spend this

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day according to thy holy will, by performing my actions so that they may be pleasing to thee. I will take particular care to avoid the failings I am so apt to commit, and to exercise the virtues, which are most agreeable to my state and employments.

A N O B L A T I O N.

I Offer to thee, O my God! the life and death of thy holy Son Jesus Christ; and with them these my affections and resolutions, my thoughts, words, deeds, and sufferings of this day, and of all my life, in honour of thy adorable Majesty; in thanksgiving for all thy benefits, in satisfaction for all my sins, and to obtain the assistance of thy grace; that persevering to the end in doing thy holy will I may love and enjoy thee for ever in thy glory.

This short Act of Oblation should never be omitted even when hurry & business do not permit us to make the morning Oblation at length.

A P E T I T I O N.

THou knowest, O God! how weak and unable I am to do good. Leave me not to myself, but take me into thy

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protection, and give me grace faithfully to comply with these holy resolutions. Enlighten my understanding with a lively faith, raise up my will to a firm hope, and inflame it with an ardent charity.

Strengthen my weakness, and cure the corruption of my heart; grant that overcoming my enemies both visible and invisible I may make good use of thy grace; and vouchsafe to add to these blessings the inestimable gift of final perseverance.

V. To thee, O Lord, I have raised my voice.

R. And early in the morning my prayer shall come before thee.

V. Let my mouth be ever filled with thy praise.

R. That I may publish thy glory, and thy greatness all the day.

V. Turn away thy face, O Lord, from my sins.

R. And blot out all my iniquities.

V. Create in me a clean heart, O God.

R. And renew a right spirit in me.

V. Cast me not out of thy sight.

R. Nor take thy holy Spirit from me.

V. Restore me to the joy of thy saving mercy.

R. And strengthen me with thy sovereign Spirit.

V. Our succour is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made both heaven and earth.

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day.

R. To preserve us from all sin.

V. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy on us.

V. Let thy mercy, O Lord! be poured upon us.

R. According to the hopes we have placed in thee.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my supplication come to thee.

Let us pray.

Almighty Lord and God, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day, let thy powerful grace so conduct us thro' it, that we may not fall into any sin, but that all our thoughts, words and actions may be regulated according to the rules of thy heavenly justice, and tend to the observance of thy holy law thro' the merits of Jesus-Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Let us pray.

Lord God, and King of heaven and earth, vouchsafe this day to rule and sanctify, to direct and govern our souls

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and bodies, our senses, words and actions in conformity to thy law, and in strict obedience to thy commands; that by the help of thy grace, O Saviour of the world! we may be fenced and freed from all evil both now and for ever. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O God, who out of thy unspeakable providence art pleased to appoint thy holy Angels for our guardians, give ear to the supplications which we make for a continuance of their protection, and that we may be added to their joyful number for all eternity. *Amen.*

May the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph and all the Saints be our Intercessors with the Lord, that we may be succoured and secured by him, who lives and reigns thro' everlasting ages. *Amen.*

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evils, & bring us to life everlasting: And may the souls of the faithful departed thro' the mercy of God rest in peace. *Amen.*



*An Universal Prayer for all that Regards
Salvation.*

I Believe in you, ô my God, strengthen my belief, I hope in you, secure my hope; I love you, encrease my love; I repent that I have sinned against you, add to my repentance.

I Adore you as the Author of my first Being; I desire you as my last End; I thank you as my perpetual benefactor, I invoke you as my sovereign Protector.

Vouchsafe, ô my God, to regulate me by your Wisdom, to awe me by your Justice, to comfort me by your Mercy, to protect me by your Power.

I consecrate to you my thoughts, my words, my actions, and my sufferings; that for the future I may think of you, act by you, and suffer for you.

Make my Will, ô Lord, conformable always, and in every thing to your most holy Will. I beg you to enlighten my Understanding, to purify my Body, and sanctify my Soul.

Animate me O my God, to expiate my past offences, to overcome my pre-

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dominant passion, & practise all the virtues
proper for my state.

Fill my heart, O Lord, with affection
for your goodness, with aversion to my
imperfections, with zeal for my Neigh-
bour, and contempt of the world.

Put me in mind, O Lord, to be
ever submissive to my Superiors, chari-
table to my Inferiors, faithful to my friends,
and Indulgent to my enemies for your sake.

Assist me, O Lord, to subdue sen-
suality by mortification, covetousness by
alms, anger by mildness, and tepidity
by fervor.

Render me prudent, O Lord, in all
undertakings, constant in dangers, patient
in adversity, and humble in prosperity.

Let me never forget to join attention
to my Prayers, temperance to my meals,
exactness to my employments, and steady-
ness to my good resolutions.

Grant me, O Lord, the grace of keep-
ing always an upright Conscience, a
modest behaviour, an edifying regular
conduct.

Grant, that I may incessantly apply my-
self to overcome nature, to follow
Grace, to observe thy Law, and merit as far as
Salvation.

Discover to me, O Lord, the mean-

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ness of the world, the greatness of Heaven, the shortness of time, and the length of Eternity.

Make me prepare for death, fear thy Judgments, avoid hell, and finally gain Heaven: Thro' the Merits of our Lord **JESUS-CHRIST.**

The nine Quires of Angels to be honour'd with the Saints of the Present Day in the following Prayer.

	Seraphins,
Sunday	Cherubins &
	Thrones.
Monday	Dominations.
Tuesday	Principalities.
Wednesday	Powers.
Thursday	Virtues.
Friday	Archangels.
Saturday	Angels.



A Prayer

*A Prayer to the Angels & Saints of the
present Day.*

Most Glorious Quire of NN. and you O Blessed Saints, whose feasts are Solemniz'd to day throughout the Church, I heartily Rejoice and Congratulate with you for your Present Eternal Felicity; and Beseech you that amongst all your Joys, you forget not my Miseries. Behold I cast myself Body and Soul at your feet, and choose you for my special Advocates to Day, and all the Days of my Life. Receive me therefore for JESUS-CHRIST'S sake from this moment into your perpetual Custody, and being now secure of your own Happiness shew yourselves solicitous for mine: Direct me in all Comforts and Afflictions, in all the Thoughts, Words, and deeds of my whole Life to God's greater Glory; and in the moment of my Departure receive me into your Blessed Society. Amen.

To the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Remember O most pious Virgin, 'tis a thing unheard of that you ever forsake those, who have recourse to you:

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Tis with this hope & confidence, my most dear Mother, I a most miserable sinner cast myself at your sacred feet, humbly begging that you will adopt me for your Son for ever, & take upon you the care of my eternal Salvation. I place myself entirely in your hands this Day & for ever. Protect me therefore, I beseech you, thro' the whole course of my life, and receive me at the hour of my Death. Amen.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph.

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S. JOSEPH.

O Holy JOSEPH ! Virgin Spouse of the Virgin Mother of God ; most glorious Advocate of all such as are in danger, or in their last Agony, most faithful Protector of all the Servants of Mary your dearest Spouse, I NN. in the Presence of Jesus and Mary do from this moment choose you for my powerful Patron and Advocate to obtain a happy Death : And I firmly Resolve and Purpose never to say or do, or even to

Suffer any under my charge to say, or do any thing against your Honour; receive me therefore for your constant Servant, and recommend me to the constant protection of Mary your dearest Spouse and to the everlasting Mercies of Jesus my Saviour: Assist me in all the Actions of my whole Life, all which I now offer to the greater Glory of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Never therefore forsake me, and whatsoever Grace you see most necessary and profitable to me, obtain it for me now, and at the hour of my Death, to which I now invite you, that whatsoever now, and at that time shall not be possible for me to obtain, may through your Intercession be bestow'd upon me by Jesus the God of my Soul. Amen.

In passing by the Saint's Statue.

Hail Holy Joseph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin, Pray for us Sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

To your Angel Guardian.

O Most holy Angel, my faithful Guardian, who next to God & his blessed Mother deserve my love, respect and confidence, I thank you from the

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Bottom of my heart for all the favours, you have bestow'd upon me, & I beg pardon for all the sins of my life past, by which I have so grievously offended God, and displeased you. Obtain for me of Almighty God entire purity both of Body & Soul, & beg of him never to take his holy Spirit from me. Instruct me, I beseech you, in the things, I am ignorant of, protect me as your Pupil, assist me in time of temptation, have care of me sleeping & waking & defend me from all danger. Amen.

To your Patrons.

O Almighty & most gracious God, who have been pleased to assign me intercessors in Heaven, by whose Prayers I may be assisted, I beseech you, that thro' the intercession of Saint NN. whose name I bear, & of all the Saints & Angels; I may serve you Faithfully in this world, & enjoy you in the next. Amen.

A Prayer for the Dead.

O God the Creator & Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the Souls of thy servants departed full remission of

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all their offences, that thro' the help of
pious supplications they may obtain that
Pardon, which they have always been
desirous of. May they rest in peace. Amen.

*The manner of honouring our B. Lady by
a triple Salutation; which she herself taught
S. Mechtildis, promising her certain assistance
for it at the hour of her death.*

Ave Maria, &c.

O Holy MARY our Sovereign Queen,
as God the Father by his omnipotence
has made you most powerful, so assist
me at the hour of my death by defending
me from all power, that is contrary to
yours.

Ave Maria, &c.

O Holy MARY our Sovereign Queen,
as God the Son has endowed you with
so much knowledge & clarity, that it
enlightens all heaven, so in the hour of
my death illustrate & strengthen my soul
with the knowledge of the true faith,
that it be not perverted by error or per-
nicious ignorance.

Ave Maria, &c.

O Holy MARY our Sovereign Queen,

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as the Holy Ghost has plentifully infused into you his love, to instil into me at the hour of my death the sweetness of divine love, that all bitterness at that time may become to me acceptable & pleasant.

Acts of the three theological virtues.

Faith, Hope & Charity are called theological, because they tend directly to God himself & have him for their immediate object. These acts therefore claim our devotion preferably to all other pious exercises, because they are the most pleasing to God, & profitable to our souls.

For an incitement to this devotion his Holiness Ben. XIV. granted the following indulgences Jan. 28. 1756.

1. A plenary indulgence with power of applying it to the souls in purgatory to be gained once every month by those who during that time shall recite every day these acts piously, devoutly, & from the heart; provided that on the day they intend to gain it, which is left to their choice, they confess, communicate, & pray for the ordinary intentions: these are concord among Christian Princes,

extirpation of heresies, the conversion of infidels & the exaltation of our holy Mother the Church.

2. A plenary indulgence at the hour of death.

3. To animate the Faithful to a frequent repetition of these acts, he has also granted an indulgence of seven years, & seven quarantains applicable to the souls in purgatory, for every time they are said.

N. B. By Indulgences of so many days and years is meant the remission of as much temporal punishment, as would be remitted by so many days or years penance according to the ancient Canons; for example, a Quarantain, that is, an Indulgence of 40 days remits as much as the ancient Canonical penance of 40 days; an Indulgence of 7, 20 years, &c: remits as much as 7, 20 years penance. The ancient Canonical penances were to do penance in sackcloth, and ashes, to go barefoot, to abstain from flesh, or wine, or public entertainments, to fast thrice a week on bread and water, and many other austerities, which lasted three years for some sins, 5 years for others, 7 for others, and for some 'till the hour of death....

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These penances were enjoin'd by most holy learned men, and confirmed by divers Councils : If they startle us modern tepid Christians, 'tis because we know and think so little of mortal & venial sin, of God's judgments, and the pains of Purgatory; in which however we must pay so dearly for what is not discharged in this life : How easily may this be done by gaining Indulgences? what a happiness to be able to pay off with one Indulgence, what formerly cost many years penance, and must cost us so much more in Purgatory, unless we do penance in this life!

Act of Faith.

I Believe in one God & three Persons, who rewards good & punishes evil. I believe that the second Person God the son was made man, instituted the seven sacraments for our sanctification, & died on a cross for our redemption. I believe all the mysteries the holy Catholic Church proposes to us to be believed, because you, my God, have revealed them, who are the Supreme Truth, and can neither deceive nor be deceived.

Act of Hope.

MY God, I hope through the merits of Jesus-Christ's to obtain of your goodness & mercy all necessary graces, remission of my sins, & life everlasting, because you have promised them; and are infinitely powerful, infinitely merciful, infinitely faithful in your promises.

Act of Charity.

MY God, I love you above all things, because you are infinitely amiable, infinitely deserving of all love, service & glory. For the love of you I also love my neighbour as myself, & even my enemies, whom I heartily forgive, & wish that they & all mankind may love, serve & possess you for ever. I am sincerely sorry for all my sins & detest them purely because they are offensive to your infinite goodness; I firmly purpose by your holy grace never to sin any more, & to lose every thing rather than offend you mortally.

Now, these being the supreme acts of Religion, they ought to be often repeated, not only because they are the most plea-

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sing to God & profitable to ourselves, but also for these other reasons. 1. Because they are easy to be said almost at all times, & in all places. 2. Because we are under a grievous obligation of saying them some times in our lives; but as it is not determined how often, we are secure of fulfilling our duty by saying them frequently. 3. Because they nourish in us the grace of God, & if we are ever so unhappy as to lose it, they restore it to us again. Lastly, because by the indulgences annexed to them, we are enabled to be of great assistance with small pains to our suffering friends & Relations in the other life.

A short Method of offering up our Actions.

THe first offering of ourselves & all our actions to God by a pure intention of doing all for his honor and glory ought to be frequently renewed by a passing thought at the beginning of every different duty or employ; as of study, play, meals, prayer, & the like; because the first intention of the morning is easily worn out by human frailty, & has no longer any influence: For we are to reflect that one single action passed over without a good intention is no small

loss; the least degree of grace being more valuable than all the treasures this world can afford. But to make our actions the more meritorious, we should offer them to God in union with the actions and merits of JESUS CHRIST'S, by which union they become in a manner divine, & are changed as it were into another substance, as is a drop of water infused into a large vessel of wine.

So for example before you go to meals or to bed, you may say, Lord Jesus, I take this corporal food, this repose in union with that divine intention, you had in eating & sleeping &c., when you conversed with men upon earth to the honour of your eternal Father.

To encrease the merit of your crosses, pains, & afflictions, offer them up in union with what Jesus suffered for us in his bitter death & Passion.

In satisfaction for your sins & imperfections, present to God the Father his divine Sons Incarnation, Nativity, his life, death, Resurrection & Ascension; or in particular offer up his humility for your pride, his patience for your anger, his chastity for your impurities, his charity for your malice. This sort of prayer will much more efficaciously atone for

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sins, than begging pardon for them by ourselves. It may be made in this or the like manner.

Eternal Father, *Respice in faciem Christi tui*, look upon thy blessed son, & be merciful to me a sinner. Look not upon me thy odious offender; look upon him my divine Redeemer. Behold the face of thy Christ, behold his most precious wounds. I humbly offer up to you his sufferings for my impatience, &c. *so of the rest*, that you may be appeased by what is so pleasing to you in him, & may forgive what is so displeasing to you in me.

The following prayer may easily be said before every action, which is the more meritorious, the more good intentions you prefix to it.

O My God, I offer up to your greater honor and glory the following action, which I desire to perform in the most perfect manner for love of you in union of the merits & most adorable Heart of Jesus, to whom be all praise, honor and glory. Amen.

OF THE
SACRAMENT
OF
PENANCE.

Q. Are there any particular Directions you would have the Penitent observe in this Sacrament?

A. There are some set down by St. Francis Sales in his *Introduction*, which deserve all our attention, as well as the whole work. First being about to go to Confession he must give God thanks for the many favours he has received, especially for the Institution of this holy Sacrament, and that he has mercifully given him time to confess his sins, whilst so many are taken off by a sudden death, without a moment to repent in.

Then let him beg grace to call to mind all his faults, and conceive a hearty sorrow for them with a firm purpose of amendment. Afterwards let him examine his Conscience, as if he was to die immediately after this Confession. He may

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consider the places he has been in, the persons he has conversed with, the business he has been concern'd in, the Passions he is most subject to, the occasions of sin he has expos'd himself to, the duty of a Christian towards God, his Neighbour & himself, the ten Commandments, the Precepts of the Church, the seven deadly sins, the Obligations of his state. In all these, let him consider, whether he has done any thing which is forbidden, or omitted any thing which is commanded; whether in a matter of consequence, or of less moment; whether knowingly & willingly or without full knowledge and consent. If he finds himself inclined to omit any sin in Confession, because it seems only venial, let him examine seriously, whether this inclination does not come from bashfulness & a certain shame of mentioning the sin. Many let themselves be deceived in this, & so are lost. He must also take care that he make not up his Confession with *Negatives* or *General Faultings*, as some do by saying, *I have not loved God, as I ought; I have not pray'd with so much Devotion as I ought; I have not been so patient as I ought;* For in these general Accusations there is no particular Sin mention'd; not

any thing, by which the Confessor can possibly understand the state of the penitent's Conscience; all men on Earth might say the same. And therefore,

2dly. Let him enquire what particular reason he has to make these general Accusations; & having discover'd where the Fault is, accuse himself of it in particular: so that instead of saying, *I have not pray'd with so much Devotion as I ought*, let him see whether his Fault was in admitting voluntary Distractions, in not choosing a convenient place, time, &c. and as he shall find himself faulty, so let him accuse himself.

3dly. He must sometimes explain the *Motive and Occasion* of his Sins; in the case of *Untruths* for example let him declare, whether they were hurtful, or to *do a prejudice*, &c. and so in other Sins; for by this means he clearly lays open the state of his Soul; and the Confessor knows how to prescribe proper Remedies for his Sins.

4thly. In all Mortal Sins he must discover the *Number*, that is, *how often* he has fallen into each sort of Sin; for without this the Confessor can form no Judgment of the State of his Soul; there being a great difference betwixt committing a Sin *Twice* or *Thrice*, and *Twenty* or

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Thirty times : If a Person cannot exactly find out the *Number*, let him upon due reflection make the best guess he can, and sincerely lay it open in Confession, as near to Truth as he is able. But if the Penitent has lived in a sinful state for any space of time, and frequently fallen into any particular Sin, he needs not then think of mentioning the *Number* of his offences; but rather the *length* of *Time*, in which he has lived in that sinful state, and how often he has sinned every day, or every week, as well as he can find out; As if a *Highway man* should have lived many years in the Practice of that Sin, it would be impossible for him to call to mind the *Number* of his Crimes; and therefore the surest way of letting his Confessor see the state of his Conscience will be to declare *how many years* he has lived in that sinful Practice; And this may serve for those, who have lived in any other Sin or bad habit.

scilicet. He must take great care, that he explain such *circumstances* as change the Species or Nature of the Sin, or considerably aggravate it: There is a great difference betwixt robbing a *Church* and another place, betwixt cheating or stealing

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King Five Shillings and Five Hundred Pounds, betwixt a married Person and single in Sins of Impurity; betwixt defaming a Neighbour out of Malice, and thro Heedlessness; in a matter of little, or great concern; betwixt Quarreling with a Stranger, and a Parent; betwixt remaining in a Sin of Anger, Revenge, &c. a quarter of an hour, five hours, a day, a week, a year; Therefore the Penitent ought in Confession to explain these Circumstances as distinctly as he can, without saying too much, or too little, and if he willingly and on purpose conceals them, he may make his Confession void, by not sincerely laying open the Guilty State of his Soul.

6thly. That he avoid telling other Circumstances, which belong not to the Sins he confesses, and are wholly unnecessary at that time.

7thly. That he be careful not to declare the Fault of any third Person; for tho' he does well to confess his own Sins, yet he ought to accuse no body else.

8thly. That he fail not to make his Confession intire; that is; that he exactly confess all the Mortal Sins, which upon a due Examination he can call to mind, be they ever so secret or infamous; be

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they in Thought, Word, Action or omission; because he that willingly conceals any one Mortal Sin, either thro' Shame or Malice, makes his whole Confession void, and is guilty of Sacrilege, by abusing this Sacrament, and lying to the Holy Ghost.

At Confession.

BEing come to his Spiritual Director let him Imagine himself to be on Mount Calvary under the cross of his crucified Saviour, and that his precious blood is running down from all his wounds upon his guilty soul to wash away his sins. With these or the like sentiments let him kneel down on his right side with his face towards the side or back of his Seat; and having made the sign of the Cross, ask his Blessing saying, *Benedic Pater*, or *Pray Ghostly Father give me your Blessing*; then begin the *Confiteor* in English or Latin, till he comes to those words, *Mea maxima culpa*, *Through my most grievous Fault*; and then begin his Confession thus:

Since my last Confession, which was a week, a fortnight, a month ago, I accuse my self, that — And having sincerely and briefly declared all he can remember

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he may conclude thus : *For these and all my other Sins , I cannot call to mind , I am heartily sorry , purpose Amendment & humbly beg Pardon of God , Penance , and Absolution of you , my Ghostly Father.* Then humbly bowing down go on with the rest of the Confiteor ; *Ideo precor B. Mariam semper Virginem ; Therefore I beseech the Blessed Virgin MARY , &c.*

Then let him attentively give ear to the Advice of his director , and when he gives Absolution, endeavour to humble his Heart with all possible Sorrow and confusion like the Penitent Magdalene watering the feet of Jesus with tears of love and repentance , like the prodigal child at the feet of his tender Father , crying out with such regret , Father , I have sinned against Heaven and before thee. What must have passed in his Heart , when his Father beheld him yet a great way off , and was moved with compassion , and running to him fell upon his neck and kissed him ? In this manner does the Father of mercies receive into his favor every sinner , that is truly repentant.

AN EXAMEN OF CONSCIENCE.

First Commandment.

This may be broken by being ignorant of the Principal mysteries of our Faith, of the Creed, of the Commandments of God, & the Church or the Sacraments.

By wilfully doubting of any point of faith. By contemning holy things and persons, & applying the words of scripture to profane senses.

By believing dreams, or fortunetellers.

By despairing of Gods mercy.

By presuming to sin, because God is good; by deferring to repent.

By exposing oneself to danger of sinning, & so tempting God.

By wilfully exposing oneself to danger of sickness without any necessity.

By human respects choosing rather to offend God, than displease men.

By omitting ones Prayers, or praying without attention or with wilful distractions.

By laughing and talking in Holy places.

Second Commandment.

This is broken, by taking Gods name in vain.

By swearing what is false, or what is True without necessity and due reverence.

By talking injuriously of God or his Saints, or hearing such discourses with pleasure.

By cursing oneself or others.

By breaking lawful oaths, or vows.

By making or keeping unlawful ones.

Third Commandment.

This is broken by not hearing Mass on Sundays and Holy days, or hearing it without attention.

By servile works or immoderate recreation on those Days.

Fourth Commandment.

This is broken by want of respect to Parents, Superiors or Masters.

By not loving them, by speaking ill of them, by disobeying them, by murmuring against them, and making others discontented with them.

Fifth Commandment.

This is broken by Anger, Quarrelling, by injurious words or actions.

By revenge, or desire of revenge.

By provoking, or striking others, by not forgiving others, by making others fall out.

By refusing to salute or speak to others out of hatred or aversion.

Sixth Commandment

In this Commandment the Penitent must be very exact, because 'tis easily broken mortally, and natural bashfulness is apt to make us believe that not to be even a venial Sin, which is a mortal one.

It is broken by touching oneself or others with impure pleasure.

By hearing willingly immodest discourses.

By not avoiding the company of those that talk so.

By looking at immodest objects, by reading immodest Books, by keeping or lending them.

By speaking immodest words, or such

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as bearing a double meaning may raise immodest thoughts in others.

By immodest stories, songs, &c. by making others break this Commandment, or endeavouring to do it.

By willingly entertaining immodest thoughts, by desiring to commit the like actions, by resolving to commit them, by putting oneself in danger of committing them.

When ever you have the least doubt, whether any action, which you may have done to yourself or others, or have let others do to you, be against this commandment, be sure never rest, until you have exposed your doubt sincerely and candidly to your confessor; Otherwise 'tis ten thousand to one the Devil & self love together deceive you.

Seventh Commandment.

This is broken by taking anothers goods.

By keeping what one knows belongs to another.

By spoiling our Neighbours goods.

By helping another to steal, or receiving what one knows has been stolen.

By buying stolen goods.

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By taking or buying from Children, who dont understand the price of things, and so cheating them.

By not giving what one has promised, when the other has accepted of ones good will.

Eighth Commandment.

This is broken by witnessing what one knows to be false, or what one doubts of.

By speaking of another, what one knows to be false, or what one doubts of, which may take away his good name, lessen other's esteem of him, or be a mortification to him.

By revealing any secret, tho' True, if it be hurtful to another.

By lying, by playing the Hypocrite, by judging rashly, by sowing discord, by reading others letters, by listening to others discourse out of a bad motive.

Ninth & Tenth Commandment.

These Commandments are broken by wilful desire of those things, which are forbidden by the sixth and seventh Commandments.

The sins of Pride are.

Thinking or speaking too well of oneself.

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Contempt of others, and shewing the same by words or actions.

Disobedience to superiors, &c. Of the second and third deadly sins, see the sixth and seventh Commandments.

The sins of Gluttony are.

Eating more than one meal on fasting Days.

Eating flesh on prohibited Days.

Eating so much, as to make oneself sick.

Drinking so much, as to hurt ones health or reason.

The sins of Envy are.

Trouble at the good success of others.

Rejoicing secretly or openly at anothers harm.

The sins of Anger are.

Impatience, discontent, fretfulness, picking quarrels, &c.

The sins of sloth are.

Want of Devotion, Inconstancy in good purposes, Ingratitude to God for his favours, Ingratitude towards friends,

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Idleness in ones duty, Studies, &c. not praying for the Souls in Purgatory.

How one may be guilty of another's sins.

By doing a bad action before others; and the sin will be still greater, if we do it with design to make them do the same.

By assisting others in an evil action.

By sharing in what you know another has stolen.

By not hindering evil either by yourself, or by informing those, to whom it belongs. By asking others to do bad actions.

By laughing at People's good actions, regularity, Devotion, &c. which will be still a greater sin, if you desire to withdraw them from being virtuous.

Having seriously examined your conscience proceed to the second part of the necessary preparation for the Sacrament, to wit a True sorrow and a firm resolution of amendment; without this your Confession will be a mortal sin & must be all made over again. Let your sorrow, as much as is possible, proceed immediately from the love of God. You must resolve not only to fly grievous Sins, but the occasions of them.

In confessions of small sins 'tis very good to add some greater one of our life past, which may excite true sorrow; least for want of True Contrition for less faults the absolution be rendred ineffectual.

Remember to pardon others, if you desire that God should pardon you.

'Tis not enough to say, I have made Sacrilegious Confessions & Communions so long; but I must also confess the occasion of the first Sacrilege, and all other mortal sins since that time.

In a word Each one must endeavour as much as he can, but without scrupulosity and anxiety, to give his Confessor as clear a notion of his Conscience, as he himself will have when he expires: For if we judge ourselves here by an humble and sincere Confession, Almighty God assures us, he will not judge us afterwards.



A SHORT PRAYER

For obtaining sorrow for our sins.

I Have now here before me ô Lord,
a sad Prospect of the manifold offences,
by which I have displeased thy
Divine Majesty, and which, I am assured,
will appear in Judgment against me,
unless I repent and by hearty Sorrow
prepare my Soul to receive thy pardon.
But this Sorrow, ô Lord, this true
Repentance must be thy free Gift, and
if it comes not from the Hand of thy
Mercy, all my endeavours will be in
vain, and I shall be for ever miserable.
Have mercy therefore on me, ô Father
of all Goodness & mercies, pour forth
into my Heart thy Grace, whereby I
may sincerely repent of all my Sins;
give me true Contrition, that I may
bewail my own Misery and Ingratitude,
and grieve from my Heart for having
offended Thee so Good a God: Permit
me not to be deluded with a false Sor-
row, as I fear I have been too often
through my own Weakness and Neglect;

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but let the precious Gift now descend from Thee the Father of Lights, that so my Repentance may be accompanied with a Change of Life, and I be thus freed from the Guilt of my Sins, and once more received into the number of thy servants. *Amen.*

A Prayer to obtain Contrition.

A Las, my God, how comes it that I have so often offended Thee, my loving Father! thou seest, Lord, there's neither Goodness or Health in me; have mercy therefore on me, and heal my sinful Soul, because I have sinned against Thee. Heal me, O Lord, and then I shall be made whole; save me and then I shall be secure; for in Thee alone is my Hope and my strength: Alas, my Lord and my God, how many and dangerous are my Wounds! how great is my Weakness and Misery, for the curing of which thou wast crucified and slain! And to whom shall I complain of all these my Evils, that rise up against me, but to Thee, O Lord, the Saviour and Redeemer of my Soul? Be merciful therefore to me a Sinner: Jesus Son of the living God, have mercy on me, for nothing is more pleasing to thee, than to have compassion

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on those that are miserable. Restore me to thy Favour, receive me again into thy Friendship, and cast me not off for my Offences; for what can I miserable Creature do but offend? And what canst thou do, ô infinite Goodness, but have Mercy and Spare? Spare me then according to thy great Goodness, and give me now Tears of Repentance, that I may mourn for the Evils I have committed against thee; give me time and sincere Contrition, that I may heartily grieve for having sinned against thee, my God, my Creator and Redeemer. Soften this my hardened Breast, inflame my frozen Heart, that I may with sorrow repent, for not loving, nay for despising, for offending thee, my sovereign Lord. What can I do, my God, to serve thee, who am so miserable and full of iniquity! I see no hopes of amendment, whilst I behold my self; all my Trust and Confidence must be in Thee; Help me therefore, ô Lord, and be thou the strength of my Soul, that I may now detest and forsake all my past Evils; that I may master my Passions, reform all my bad habits, and by a true Change of Life and Manners be intirely united to Thee, and by thee live for ever. *Amen.*

An Act of Sorrow.

O My God seeing that your son Jesus Christ died upon a Cross to redeem me from sin & the punishments due to it I detest all sin from the bottom of my soul, & I am most heartily sorry for all the sins I have been guilty of particularly those I am to confess, not only because I have deserved hellfire & to lose your most amiable sight for all eternity, but also because sin is so ugly & detestable in itself, & because it is so highly displeasing to your infinite goodness & sanctity; & therefore I am most firmly resolved never to offend you by these or any grievous sin whatever for the future.

An Act of Faith.

O My God, I firmly believe that there is one God & three Persons, that the second Person made himself man & died upon a Cross for my sake: that you are the Eternal Rewarder of the just & Punisher of the wicked: these I most firmly believe & all the other truths, our Holy Mother the Roman Catholic Church believes & teaches, because you have

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revealed them, who are truth itself, & neither can deceive, nor be deceived.

An Act of Hope.

O My God relying on your infinite Goodness, mercy, power & promises & because you are infinitely faithful in your promises, I hope to obtain pardon of all my sins, grace to love & serve you faithfully in this life, & to enjoy you for ever in the next thro' the merits of Jesus-Christ my dear Redeemer, & the merits & intercession of the Blessed Virgin & all the Saints.

An Act of Charity.

O My God I love you with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, & with all my strength, because you are infinitely good & amiable, & deserve the love of all your creatures; & for your sake I forgive my enemies & love my neighbour as myself.

N. B. In making the Act of Faith it is advisable after the words Punisher of the wicked to add sometimes one, sometimes another article of the Apostles Creed, or of the

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the following articles of Faith that Jesus-Christ is really present in the Blessed Eucharist, that there are seven Sacraments, that the Saints hear our Prayers, that honour is due to the Saints & their holy Relicks, that temporal punishment due to our sins is remitted by Indulgences, that grace is necessary for good works, &c. It is also advisable in the Act of Hope after the words pardon of my sins to add sometimes one, sometimes another of the following petitions, which you find most necessary, help in my studies, grace to know & follow my vocation, to overcome my temper & my predominant passion, new light & strength from the body & blood of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, &c.

A P R A Y E R

After Confession.

O God of Mercy and all comfort, having now thro' thy gracious Goodness disburden'd my Conscience of all Guilt, and discover'd all the Sins I could think of to thy Minister my Ghostly Father, I most humbly beseech thee to accept this Confession, and forgive all my Trespases, as well those I

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have forgotten, as those I remembered.

Grant me grace, ô Lord, to live more carefully hereafter, and to abstain from my former Follies, which I utterly detest, firmly purposing through thy Grace never any more to offend in them, especially in. N. ô my most merciful and Bountiful Saviour, give me grace to withstand those temptations, with which I am most troubled, and to avoid all Occasions of offending thee for the future.

Q. Is there any thing more belonging to this part of the Sacrament?

Since Confession is for amendment of Life, I cannot but advite the Penitent, before he concludes, to make a short Reflection on the Sins he has confessed, and of the *Means*, by which he is to Endeavour an effectual amendment: And therefore if he has accused himself of *Neglect in saying his Prayers*; will this be to any purpose, if when he goes next to Prayer, he takes no more care than formerly? If he has accused himself of offending in words, by *Lying, Swearing, Detracling*, or other improper *Discourse*, ought he not, when he comes next into Company, to think about his past Failings, to which he has been subject, and strive to forbear, by keeping a stricter

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watch over himself; if he does not this, what are become of all his Purposes of Amendment? If *Company, bad Books, Play or Games* have been the Occasion of his offending, what will his Confession and Resolutions avail; if afterwards he takes no care to forsake these and cast them off? Is it not evident his Repentance was not sincere, and that however he has confess'd, yet his Sin still lies at his Door? This Review and consideration of the Care to be taken to amend the Sins confess'd should be made every morning by the penitent, and ought to be a part of Examination of Conscience every night: I think there can be no better way of knowing the Sincerity and Validity of his Confessions, than by thus enquiring, *What care he takes not to fall into the like Evils again*: For if he discovers in himself but very little or none of this Diligence, he may with reason fear his Confessions have not been so well made, as they should be.

He must also consider, whether he has any Restitution to make either of stolen goods, or his Neighbours Reputation & good name, & if he has, let him endeavour to do it immediately, and also to perform the Penance enjoyn'd him.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR HOLY COMMUNION.

TO form a right judgment of the unspeakable favor, God does us in Communion, and to prepare ourselves as we ought, we must seriously consider 4 things. 1st. The Majesty of the Lord, that comes to us, 2^{dly}. our own unworthiness; 3^{ly}. how he comes, and 4^{ly}. why he comes.

1^o. Consider the Majesty of the Lord contained in this adorable Sacrament, and behold with the eyes of faith the infinite perfections he possesses both as God, and Man:

He, who is here present, is the only begotten son of the eternal father, the splendor of his Glory, the figure of his substance, immense, infinite and eternal like his Father, endowed with the same wisdom, bounty & power, that first created, and now preserves all things, being the 1st. beginning and last end of

every creature. Tho' a sovereign of such Majesty, that the Heavens cannot contain him, he is not content to have become man once only, but he renews his Incarnation as it were in the hearts of those, who receive him in Holy Communion.

A C T.

O Divine word, that art in the immense bosom of thy eternal Father, how comest thou to reside in the narrow heart of vile sinful man? O King of glory seated on a throne of Majesty, how couldst thou condescend to remain on earth in so frail an habitation! Thy unspeakable charity was the cause of this humility to excite me by so powerful a token of thy love to love thee with my whole heart and soul: Oh that I humbled myself like thee to honour and serve thee as thou deservedst.

In the next place I will consider that this Sacrament contains the same divine Infant, that was nine months in the womb of the Bd. Virgin enriching her with the choicest graces; and that soon after his Conception sanctified John the Baptist in his Mothers womb, filling the child and his Mother with the H. Ghost. As he is in

this Sacrament with the same goodness and power he may produce the same effects in my soul : I have here the very same God that was placed in the manger , that was adored by the shepherds & three kings , whose services he repaid with great rewards : If I here adore him with the same lively faith , I shall receive equal favors : Behold here that beneficent bounteous Saviour , who travelled about Judea teaching, preaching, healing the sick, raising the dead , and doing good to every one by numberless miracles. I will particularly reflect that he is the same , who for love of me was seized , buffeted , crowned with thorns , scourged , & crucified , and whilst he hung on the cross amidst such torments , prayed for his enemies , pardoned the good thief and promised him Heaven : As the same true God & man is in this Sacrament , which represents his passion , he must be willing and able to communicate the same effects to my soul.

In a word 'tis he , that robbed Hell , that rose in glory , that sits at the right hand of his eternal Father , who not content to keep his court in Heaven will have another throne on earth for the comfort of such as live here , and desires

we would have recourse to him with the same faith and confidence, as if we saw him in his mortal and visible body, as he is really & truly the same tho' covered with the accidents of bread & wine.

A C T.

O Sweetest Redeemer, what return can I make thee for thy infinite mercy, which daily waits on us from on high? why should I not boldly apply to thee, since thou comest from Heaven for my sake? I adore and bless thee in this adorable Sacrament, & prostrate myself in Spirit at thy feet like Magdalene to obtain mercy: Grant me ô Lord, that confidence, with which the woman troubled with the bloody flux touched the hem of thy garment. I touch thy sacred wounds like St. Thomas to be enlightened, & enlivened in faith, and I confess that thou art my Lord & my God worthy of all honor & glory.

2ly. I will consider the wonderful manner, in which our Lord Jesus Christ comes to visit us tho' miserable & abominable sinners....

It might have been sufficient for your salvation to look up at this all-healing

Sacrament, as it was enough for the Israelites stung by serpents to look up at the brazen serpent on a pillar to be cured of their wounds; because this serpent represented our Saviour: at least it might have sufficed to come near the Bd. Sacrament, or to touch it as the woman was healed by touching his garment: Yes, this would have been more than enough for our salvation, if God had so ordained, and too great an honor for miserable sinners; but it was not enough for the goodness & charity of our Lord, who would be joined to us in so close and intimate a manner, as to become our very food and nourishment: This he tells us in these comfortable words: *My flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink in deed: He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath life eternal in him, and I will raise him up at the last day: sweet comfortable words!*

3^o. I shall find all this still more admirable, if I consider the unworthiness of the person, who is thus visited, and the wretchedness of the place, that God enters.

A C T.

O Man-God , & celestial Adam , what admirable inventions of love do you make use of for my delight and comfort ? Do you not know the nature of the place , you are entering ? Are you ignorant that I am a vessel of iniquity , the retreat of basilisks , and a house of perdition ? Are you then pleased to enter so bare a cottage ? and how dare I lodge you there ? shall my tongue , an abyss of malice , drink of the pure fountain of all blessings ? How can my throat , the sink of gluttony yield a passage to increased sanctity ? How shall my breast a common-shoar of bad thoughts receive him , that is purity & charity itself ? O bounteous Saviour , how properly art thou stiled the Father of mercies , since thou canst lodge in the midst of such misery & distress ? ô Lord , first clear away the horrors of the place , and make it worthy to receive thee : then *let down the Heavens and descend* , since thou art pleased to humble and debase thy self so far : May the heavenly virtues descend into my soul ; may a lively faith be there , may a firm hope , ardent charity , hu-

mility, obedience and devotion make a Heaven of the place designed for the residence of such a king : O eternal Father, who didst purify and embellish the soul of the most blessed Virgin to prepare a worthy habitation for thy son, purify and adorn my soul with every virtue, since the same God she bore, is to come to my house.

4ly. Consider the design of our Lord Jesus-Christ in coming, begging of him to execute it notwithstanding your unworthiness.

He comes in all those different qualities, which he visibly exercised for the space of so many years towards every one that applied to him.

He comes as Redeemer to pardon my sins ; 2ly. As Physician to cure all my spiritual infirmities : *Ego veniam & curabo eum* : 3ly. As master to enlighten me with his inspirations, & teach me the way of virtue & perfection : *Erat lux vera, que illuminat omnem hominem* : 4ly. As high Priest to apply to my sickly soul the fruit of his death & passion, & to excite me to offer him the Sacrifice of a contrite & humble Heart, a Sacrifice of praise & a Holocaust of love. He comes to seek me like the good shepherd,

to defend me like a loving friend, & to enflame me with love like a devouring fire : *Deus ignis consumens est.*

After having examined these kind offices, which our Lord Jesus-Christ comes to exercise for my good; I will consider how much I stand in need of them, as my sins have made me a slave to the Devil & to different passions, being weak, ignorant, blind, poor, and in want of sustenance for my soul, of peace with my Creator, of assistance, direction and favor with my Saviour : Then making a comparison between him and myself, between his kind offices, and my extreme misery I will entertain sentiments of admiration on the one hand, and on the other ardent desires of his coming.

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O My God, why does not the consideration of this immense charity soften me into confusion, gratitude & love! Had you commanded my cure, your will would have been done at the first word without coming yourself; or had you desired it, one of your servants like Giezi would have touched me with your wand, and I should have come to life : But you would come in person

to cure , enliven and regale my sickening
soul. Come then blessed Redeemer , with-
out delay , come into my soul , that
burns with a desire of receiving thee :
O Heavens pour down the heavenly dew ,
that preserves from death , & gives every
comfort and delight with life everlasting :
*He that eateth this bread , shall live for
ever.*

These ardent desires must be much
insisted on , and may be encreased by those
passages of Holy writ , wherein the Holy
Prophets express their desires of seeing the
Messias , who was to redeem the world :
they must be accompanied with the grea-
test purity of Heart , so as to be free
not only from mortal sin , but as much
as possible from Venial , and every earthly
attachment to Creatures.

A C T.

O Oriens splendor lucis æternæ & sol
justitiæ veni & illumina sedentes in
tenebris & umbrâ mortis....

O Rex gentium & desideratus earum ,
lapisque angularis , qui facis utraque unum ,
veni & salva hominem , quem de limo
formasti....

N. B. It is not necessary to go thro' all these considerations at every Communion, but better to take one or two at a time, and dwell upon them, 'till they work upon the heart, and draw from it fervent Acts of faith, confidence, love, desire, &c. : The same may be said of thanksgiving after Communion.

THe night before Communion, think of the happiness of receiving your Dear Saviour, how to entertain him, & how much he desires to visit you. In the Morning offer up all your actions in union with the merits of Jesus, and in honour of his Blessed Mother to obtain the grace of a good Communion.

Before Communion.

Hear Mass devoutly and consider who it is, you are going to receive; who you are that receive; and go with an extraordinary Purity, a lively Faith, full of Hope, with a longing *Desire*, an ardent love, a profound Humility; and make Acts of these Virtues more lively, the nearer you come to Communion.

PRAYERS
BEFORE
COMMUNION.
OF FAITH.

MY Saviour JESUS-CHRIST, I firmly believe Thou art really present in the B. Sacrament; I believe that it contains thy real Body and Blood accompanied with thy Soul and Divinity; I acknowledge these Truths; I believe these Wonders and whatever else the Catholic Church proposes to my belief, because thou hast revealed them, who art truth itself; I adore thy Power, which has wrought them; I praise thy Infinite Goodness, that has prepared them for me; and with David I say from the bottom of my Heart, *I will praise thee, my God with my whole Heart, and I will recount all thy admirable Works, I will rejoice in thee and bless thy Holy Name.* With this Faith, and this Acknowledgment I make bold to approach this adorable Banquet, where thou bestowest on me the Divine Food

of thy Body and Blood, that thou may'st fill me with thy self and thy Holy Spirit. O JESUS, grant I may approach to thee with that true Reverence and Humility, which is due to thy Infinite Majesty. Who am I, my God, that thou should'st work such great wonders for my sake? Grant at least, that I be not altogether unworthy of them, and that at present I may receive thee with a pure Heart, with a clear Conscience, and with a Sincere lively Faith. Pardon my Sins, which have rendered me most unworthy to receive thee, I detest them all from the bottom of my Heart, because they are displeasing to thee, my God; I renounce them for ever, and I promise to be faithful to Thee. Go on then, my Soul, stir thy self up to receive all the Favours God has prepared for thee in this divine Sacrament.

O F H O P E.

IN thee, sweet JESUS, I place all my Hope, because Thou alone art my Salvation, my Strength, my Refuge, and the Fountain of all my Good: Were it not for this Confidence, I have in thy Merits, and in thy precious Blood,

with which thou hast redeemed me, how could I presume to partake of this heavenly Banquet! Encouraged therefore by thy goodness, behold I come to Thee as a poor infirm Sheep to its Pastor, as one Sick to his Physician, as a condemn'd Criminal to his powerful Intercessor; that as the true Shepherd of my Soul thou mayst strengthen me, heal me as my Physician, and as my merciful Advocate deliver me from the Sentence of Sin and Death. This Abyss of nothing, which I am, calls upon the Abyss of Goodness, which thou art: For tho' my Sins are many, and very Grievous, yet all these are but light and as nothing, if compared to thy Mercy, and the infinite price of thy Blood. 'Tis in this O Lord, I place all my trust, and I am pleased, that in me there is nothing, wherein I can hope, that so I may put my whole trust in thee. Have pity therefore on me, my Jesus, and save me, for thou forsakest none, that hope in thee.

OF CHARITY.

HOW great was the force of thy Love, my dear Redeemer, when on the Eve of going out of this world to

to thy eternal Father thou providedst for us this Banquet enrich'd with the Sweetness of Heaven and Delight of Angels! 'Twas a wonderful effect of thy goodness so to humble thy self for our Redemption, as to take upon thee the infirmities of our Nature. And is not this too an infinite Excess of thy Love to leave us thy Body and Blood for the Food and Nourishment of our Souls, that so, as thou didst unite to thy Self our Humanity, we might be here Partakers of thy Divinity. For this thy Infinite Love to us, I desire to love thee my Jesus, who art my only Comfort in this place of Banishment, the only Hope of my infirm Soul, and above all the Happiness I can enjoy in this Life. I love thee with all my heart, with all my soul, and with all my strength; and I wish, that as every moment is an encrease of my Life, so it may be of the Love I have for thee; This I desire with all the affection and powers of my soul, that as all is due to thee, so all may be return'd to thee for this *Divine Food*, which is our Refreshment, Support and strength, our Armour and Defence in all our Miseries. And that this Love may never cease, inflame my heart with the Fire of Hea-

ven, and there may it ever burn, till frail Nature being weakned and consumed, I may be at length transformed into thee. Come my Lord, make haste, release me once more from the Bonds of Sin, and prepare me for the Blessing thou art now bestowing on me.

The posture of the Body in receiving the Blessed Sacrament.

1. **L**et the Hands being covered with the Towel be held as high as the Breast; the Head conveniently lifted up, that without difficulty the Mouth may be reached; the Eyes shut, or reverently bent downwards; the Lips entirely unmoved, open, but not gaping.

2. Let the Tongue touch the inner Side of the under Lip, to receive the Host and bring it into the Mouth, which being reverently held on the Tongue till it be moistened is so to be let down into the Stomach, without chewing, or raising it to the Roof of the Mouth.

3. Let the whole body be erect, without any Motion, as Sighing, knocking the Breast, or vocal Prayer to prevent all irreverent touching the Teeth or Lips with the Sacred Host.

4. After Receiving return devoutly to your Prayers, and for about a Quarter of an Hour abstain from Spitting.

At Communion.

ADore with great modesty your Divine Saviour.

THIS is the most precious time of your Life; spend it in welcoming your Dear Saviour. Expose your wants. **THANK** him for all favours. **LOVE** him. **ASK PARDON.** Petition **GRACE**, and **RESOLVE**, &c.

The more Acts you make, whilst the Sacramental Species, and the presence of Christ remain with you, the more grace you will receive. *So Suarez.*

Be sure to spend the day of your Communion better than ordinary.

When fervour fails, wish for a better disposition, and offer to God the merits of our Blessed Lady, and the Fervour of the most holy Communicants to supply your defects.

Always beg of our Blessed Lady to help you to receive well, and to give due thanks, as S. Franc. Borgia used to do.

Prayers after Communion.

I Give thee thanks, eternal Father, because of thy pure Mercy, without any merits of mine, thou hast been pleased to feed my Soul with the Body and Blood of thy only Son our Lord JESUS-CHRIST. I earnestly beseech thee, that this Holy Communion may not be to my condemnation, but an effectual remission of all my Sins. May it strengthen my Faith, encourage me in all that is good, deliver me from my vicious Customs, remove all Concupiscence, perfect me in Charity and Patience, in Humility and Obedience, and in all other Virtues: May it secure me against all the Snares of my enemies visible or invisible; moderate my inclinations both carnal & spiritual, closely unite me to thee the only and true God, and happily settle me in unchangeable Bliss. And I now make it my hearty Request that thou wilt one day admit me, tho' an unworthy Sinner, to be a guest at that divine banquet, where Thou with thy Son and the Holy Ghost art the true Light, eternal Fulness, everlasting Joy, and perfect Happiness of

all the Saints; thro' the same JESUS-CHRIST our Lord. *Amen.*

I Firmly resolve for the future to renounce all whatsoever my irregular and corrupt affections incline me to. I Confess, they often press me to forsake the way of thy Commandments, and put me in danger of losing all right to eternal Happiness; but behold, I now desire to free my heart from them, that I may love thee alone, and place my whole trust in thee. For this end I firmly resolve to watch over all my actions, to fly from Sin, and avoid whatever may be displeasing to thee. I will strive to work out my Salvation with fear and trembling by keeping all thy Precepts, and as I resolve, so I hope to be faithful to thee: But this Resolution, I acknowledge, I am not able to keep without the assistance of thy Grace; and therefore I most humbly beg it of thee. O JESUS, save me; carry me thro' the ways of thy Commandments, which I now begin with all my heart: incline my heart to love thy Divine Truths; turn away my Eyes that they may not see Vanity; Enliven and strengthen me in the pursuit of Virtue and Good works,

and powerfully draw me to thee, that so I may follow thy footsteps to Heaven, where thou livest and reignest for all eternity.

O My God, what Return can I make for this so signal a Favour? what shall I do to acknowledge it? Is it possible I should not continually love thee after this Excess of Love, which thou hast shewn to me! Thou hast loved me to that degree as to lay down thy Life for my sake, and shall not I make this return always to live for thee alone; Thou hast given thy self at present wholly to me, and shall not I from henceforth be wholly thine? Permit me not, O God, to be ungrateful or insensible of this thy Love and my own Salvation. I protest before thee, that for the future I will be faithful to thee, & never depart from thee by any disobedience to thy Law: I will never forget thy Bounty, nor the Favour thou hast done me, in admitting me to partake of thy mercy. I will love thee with all my heart, my God, my Saviour, my Strength, my Support, my refuge, and my Deliverer. Thou art my God and my All. What is there in Heaven or Earth I

should love besides thee? Thou art the God of my Heart; the Inheritance and only Happiness I pretend to: I have made choice of thee alone and nothing shall make me change.

An Oblation.

WHat shall I give thee, O my Saviour, as a token of that love and service which I have here engaged to thee? I have nothing worthy of thee; I have nothing but what is thine on several accounts: but such is thy goodness, thou art willing to accept from us what is thy own already. Wherefore behold, I here offer my whole self to thee, my Body and Soul, which are now sanctified by thy Divine Presence: I consecrate them both to thee, since at present thou hast chosen them to be thy Temple; my Body to be employ'd in thy Service, and never more to be an Instrument of Sin; my Soul to know thee, to praise thee, to love thee and evermore to be faithful to thee. Bless O Lord the Present I here make thee, bless this thy Temple. Permit not my Body to be any more defiled with sensual Delights, or my soul by a Will to com-

mit any Mortal Sin. For my part I here resolve to serve thee with body and Soul; I will take pains to correct their evil Inclinations; I will fight against my self, renounce my wonted Pleasures, my Passions, my Concupiscence, my Anger, my Pride, my Self-love, my own Will, and lastly whatever may offend thee my God.

*Another Method of thanksgiving after
Communion.*

IT is of the greatest importance, after we have received, to know how to enjoy the precious presence of our guest. No moment can be more favorable, or more proper to transact business with our Saviour, than when we have him personally present within us: let us then return him our best thanks, and make the best use of so favorable an occasion according to the advice of the Wiseman: let not the least part of the good day escape thee. *Particula bonæ diei non te pretereat.* We have the greatest respect for the least particle of the Blessed Sacrament, because it contains Jesus-Christ whole & entire; so we must make great

account of every moment of the day we possess him, since in each of them, he may heap new favors upon us, if we keep ourselves duly disposed: according to St. Denis, this Sacrament of love is in a particular manner the consummation, the accomplishment, and the excellence of all the other Sacraments; it is the most efficacious mean, God has given us for our sanctification & perfection, so that one Communion well made is enough to make us Saints: at this awful moment of benedictions, whilst we have God within our breast, we must keep away every other thought, every other concern, but that of giving him the best entertainment in ardent sentiments & Canticles of praise, love & thanks in the following manner.

1°. After receiving excite a lively faith of the presence of Jesus-Christ within you, as if you saw him in all his Majesty sitting at the right hand of God the Father, environed, as he is, by millions of heavenly Courtiers, in whose company throw yourself prostrate at his throne in great astonishment, humility & confusion, that so great a God should be lodged in your breast: say with St. Peter in a transport of love.

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Dominus est: 'tis my dear Lord, & Saviour Jesus - Christ, the same God, that sits at the right hand of his Father, is now in my breast: ô the wonderful goodneſſ of God! Go forth from me, ô Lord, for I am a miſerable ſinner... whence is this to me, that my Lord & my God ſhould thus viſit me? O eternal God, what is man, that thou art mindful of him? thou haſt made him a little leſſ, than the Angels, and yet thou com'eſt with thy Angels to reſide in him, to feed him with thy body & blood! My Lord, & my God, how admirable is thy name all over the world! Holy, holy is the Lord of Hoſts, who has humbled himſelf ſo low, as to lodge in my breſt: O king of Iſrael & Saviour of the world, bleſſed is he, that is come from on high; let every creature bleſſ the Lord for the unſpeakable favor, he has done me, bleſſ him ye Patriarchs & Prophets, bleſſ him ye Apoſtles & Evangelists, praife him ye Martyrs & Confessors, praife & glorify him for ever & ever; let all the powers of my ſoul, & ſenſes, let all the ſentiments of my Heart come & adore, & glorify the Lord for the ſhare,

they all have in this incomparable blessing : ô Lord , let my eyes bless thee , because they have seen this magnificent feast , let my lips exalt thee , because they have drunk of the pure fountain of all delights , let gratitude & love be for ever on my tongue & breast , which are become thy throne : In a word all my bones shall say with David : *O Lord , who is like unto thee ?* may my memory retain thy wonders , my understanding dwell on thy charms , my will embrace thee , my heart burn with thy love , may they all together double their efforts to celebrate the glory of thy arrival.

2°. Call to mind the kind offices , our Lord Jesus-Christ once exercised towards every one here on Earth , and remember that he is now come to renew them again in your favor ; embrace him with the arms of humility & charity , and say.

A C T.

I Have now within me my Redeemer , my Physician , my master , my friend , and all my good : I have found the beloved of my soul , I will hold him fast , and he shall not go from me ; nothing shall ever separate me from his sweet

embraces ; no danger , no hardship , no temptation shall ever prevail upon me to forfeit his friendship : I will always keep him with me , 'till he conduct me from this valley of tears to the enjoyment of life everlasting.

3°. Imagining he asks me , what he formerly did many others , who came to be cured : *Quid vis ? what is your desire ?* like them I will answer with profound humility , & firm confidence in his goodness as great now as it was then.

A C T.

O Lord , I earnestly desire to be cured ; *sana me , Domine , & sanabor , heal me , ô Lord , and I shall be truly healed : si vis , potes me mundare* , thou art an all-powerful Physician , that cures every infirmity : say at thy entrance here , as thou didst at Zaccheus' house : *to day this house receives salvation : tantum dic verbo* , only say the word , and it shall be done , as thou sayest. O Lord , I am subject to several ailments & passions , see , how my soul is infected with pride , anger , envy & sensuality : behold all its infirmities , ignorance & blindness : thou art my Master , my light & my guide , teach me ,

enlighten me , conduct me safe in the ways of thy commandments , since thou art come to me for this effect...

In these or the like words lay before him all your wants & miseries in the same manner , as if he were ignorant of them , sometimes you may briefly tell him your chief infirmity with the sisters of sickly Lazarus , *Domine , Ecce quem amas infirmatur* : O Lord , behold he whom thou lovest , is sick : This is saying as much , if you speak with feeling , as if you spoke out all your wants at length. Spend sometime in these or the like petitions so powerful on the heart of Jesus , who is easily touched & moved to compassion by these inward cries of distress & sincere desires of relief.

4°. Make some present to your Lord as a token of your gratitude by offering what is most agreeable to him , who gives his whole self to you : in particular make him an offering of what he himself asks for , & prefers to every other gift, *son give me thy heart...*

A C T.

MY heart belongs to thee , dear Lord , on a thousand different titles , take it wholly to thy self without the least

reserve; keep possession of it as thy property, nor suffer the least affection to creatures to reign within it: let my body become a living victim holy & agreeable to thy pure sight, let it always bear upon it the sacred marks of thy passion & mortification: I purpose to wage a continual war with that passion, N. which is the greatest obstacle to my perfection, & thy merciful designs upon me.

N. B. It is very proper & pleasing to God to renew your good purposes & engagements, and above all to offer up something particular to be performed that very day of Communion; such as, exact obedience to superiors as holding the place of God; punctual compliance with Rule as containing the adorable will of God, greater charity, meekness, recollection, silence at due times: offer up these or similar practices in union with your Saviour's retirement, meekness & silence amidst all sorts of injuries, mockeries, false accusations, three hours agony on the cross, &c....

By this practice you may continue your thanksgiving all the day long, & even to the next Communion:

Lastly it will be very meritorious to

make Jesus-Christ a present in his suffering members the poor by giving them some Alms according to your abilities. Before or after Communion read something out of the 4th. book of Thomas a Kempis, which is an excellent treatise on Holy Communion.



An Explanation of the Holy Ornaments and Ceremonies, that are used at the Holy Sacrifice of Mass, very Instructive for Catholics and others.

ALL the visible Rites employed in and about the Sacrifice of Mass tend to Instruction, and to the Commemoration of the Death and Passion of our Lord JESUS-CHRIST, in compliance with his own Command, *Do this in Remembrance of me.* 1. Cor. 11. 24. that is, do this in Memory of my Passion. This is easy to be observed in the Altar, and Ornaments, with which the Priest is vested. viz.

The *Altar* signifies *Mount-Calvary*, where-on JESUS-CHRIST (the only Son of God, and second Person of the most Blessed Trinity) was Crucified for our Redemption.

The *Corporal* and *Linnen Cloths*, that cover the *Altar*, signify the *Linnen Cloth* that wrapped up the Sacred Body of Christ, when laid in the Sepulcher.

The *Candles* lighted on the *Altar* signify the light of Faith revealed to the Jews and Gentils; and they remind us
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of the great Splendor of Faith and Holiness required in the celebrating of so great and dreadful a Mystery.

The *Crucifix* betokens our Blessed Redeemer's Victory over Death, and is placed in the midst of the Altar to represent to our Mind the Death and Passion of *JESUS-CHRIST*, which is there chiefly to be considered, and piously meditated on during the Holy Sacrifice.

The *Chalice* betokens the Holy Sepulcher of our Lord.

The *Patine* the great Stone, which was rolled against the Door of the Sepulcher.

The Garments, wherewith the Priest is Vested during the time of Mass.

THE *Amice* a Linnen Cloth, which the Priest pulls over his head, and fastens in his Neck, signifies the Rag of Linnen, wherewith the Jews blindfolded Christ our Saviour in Mockery, when they smote and buffeted him, saying, *Prophecy unto us, Christ, who is he that struck thee.* Matth. 26. 68.

The *Albe*, (that is a white Linnen Garment) represents the Raiment, which Herod put on Christ, after he had despised and mocked him Luke 23.

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The *Maniple*, which the Priest wears on his Left Arm, and the *Stole* that hangs about his Neck, and the *Girdle* represent the cords and Fetters, with which the officers of the Jews Bound Christ, John 18. and led him from one Place to another.

The *Chasuble*, (that is the uppermost Vestment) expresses the Purple garment, the Soldiers put on JESUS CHRIST, Mark 5. and the heavy Cross, that Christ carried on his Blessed shoulders to Mount-Calvary.

The Priest's *Tonsure*, (that is to say, the Crown of his Head shaved in form of a round Circle) shews the Crown of Thorns, which the Soldiers platted, and put about the Sacred head of our Saviour. Mark 15.

Imagine you see in the Priest JESUS-CHRIST suffering, & in the *Vestments* the instruments of his Passion.

In the *Introit* & *Confiteor* you have Adam's fall represented, the cause of all our miseries. In the *Kyrie*, the longing desire of the holy Prophets & Patriarchs for the Messiah. In the *Gloria*, Christ's Nativity. In the *Collects*, *Epistle* & *Gospel*, his Pra-

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yers, Miracles & Preaching. In the *Offertory*, the Oblation of himself to suffer & die for us. In the *Sanctus, Sanctus*, his entry into Jerufalem; In the *Sundry Crosses*, his manifold sufferings. In the *Elevation of the Host* his Crucifixion; of the *Chalice* the effusion of his blood. In the *Pater noster* his last words: In the *Breaking* of the Host the separation of his soul from his body: In *Dropping the particle* into the Chalice his descent into Limbus. In the *Consummation* his burial. In the *Dominus vobiscum*, his ascension into Heaven.



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THe 4 ends, for which we are to offer up the Mass are 1. For God's honor & glory : 2^{dly}. In thanksgiving for all his benefits, particularly N. and as a perpetual memorial of the Passion & death of his son. 3^{dly}. For obtaining pardon of our sins, 4^{thly}. for obtaining all graces & blessings thro' Jesus-Christ, especially those, I want the most, N. N.

Some pious Instructions concerning the Holy Sacrifice of Mass.

1. **A**LL the value & efficacy contained in the bloody Sacrifice of the cross is entirely transferred to the unbloody Sacrifice of the Mass, by which Sacrifice the former is represented, continued, & applied to our souls : the Sacrifice of the altar is the very same as the Sacrifice of Mount Calvary, and differs from it only in the manner of offering.

2. The more we comprehend the value of this Sacrifice, the greater will be

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our esteem for it, the greater our confidence & endeavours to partake of its effects in greater abundance.

3. To have any share in the effects & fruit of the third end, which is to make satisfaction for our sins, you must be in the state of grace: it is therefore advisable always to make an Act of Contrition in the beginning of Mass.

4. To have any share in the effects of the 4th end, which is to obtain graces & favors, you must actually petition something either in general, or particular, otherwise you let the credit of our Saviour's merits remain useless & unprofitable.

5. There is no hour of the day, or night, in which Mass is not then saying in some part of the world; we may then at any hour of the day offer up all the Masses, which are said that day, or night throughout the whole world for the 4 ends aforesaid: By this offering so easily made at any time & place we share the fruit of all these Masses, provided we be in the state of grace.

6. A short efficacious means of obtaining any favor of God, is to petition it by all the Masses, which are said, and thro' the merits of Jesus Christ applied to us by these Masses.

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7. To hear Mass more meritoriously, we must always make an interior Sacrifice of ourselves by offering our body, soul, & life to God; by being truly contrite & sorry for all our sins.

8. To partake more fully of the prayers & ceremonies used at Mass we must offer them up conjointly with the Priest by joining our will with his, so as to accompany him throughout the whole Mass.

9. The more we think of our Saviour's passion, the better we answer his design in instituting this Sacrifice, which was to put us in mind of all, he has done & suffered for us. *Do this in remembrance of me...*

10. If we are so deeply affected with what we see, or hear in tragedy, what ought to be our feelings in assisting at the most doleful of all tragedies, that represents the most moving of all deaths, the death of a most noble, generous, harmless Prince Dying on a cross, dying for us, that we guilty ones may live? What ought to be our sentiments in beholding such a sight, that so nearly concerns us all? what is our love for such exquisite goodness, our gratitude for such preventing generosity? where are your

sighs and groans, tender soul, that pride yourself upon delicate sensible feelings? where are your tears over such a death? Alas! my God! how many are present at Mass, without so much as thinking on the death of their Redeemer tho' so movingly represented to them? Oh! sad reflection that such a representation should have less effect upon the human heart, than a fictitious play.

To prevent such insensibility assist at the moving exhibition of the altar with a lively faith, and frequently ask yourself, . . . *Whose death is here represented to me? Is it not the death of my dear Redeemer expiring for my sake, for the salvation of my soul, that I may live for ever, that I may be eternally happy? Is it not for me he has suffered all this?* It was this thought that drew such streams of tears from the eyes of St. Philipp Neri upon the altar, he said Mass at, that it was often necessary to change the Corporal: it was this thought, that made St. Marguerite Queen of Hungary burst out into tears of gratitude & love, when she beheld the Host in the hands of the Priest: this is the remembrance required of us by way of return for such a favor. *Behold here your Lord*, said St. Michael to Bd. An-

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giola de Fuligno, and lifting up her eyes she beheld him in the Host covered with blood & wounds; and nailed to the cross; 'tis thus our Bd. Redeemer desires we would consider him during the holy Sacrifice: this is the most perfect way of hearing Mass, and the most comfortable of all devotions to keep him present to our mind & heart during Mass with all he suffered in the different stations of his Passion, till he bowed his head, & expired. For this reason it was our Lord instituted the Sacrifice under the two distinct forms of bread & wine, in order to represent his Passion more to the life; Christ is really present whole & entire under both species, but the consecrated Host represents his body only, and the consecrated Chalice his blood only; thus are they represented separate from each other, in order to give us a more striking representation of his death caused by the shedding of his blood: we are reminded of the same by the sign of the cross so frequently made by the Priest during Mass, and by the Crucifix on ye altar.

Prayers before Mass.

When you go into the Church, say,

O Lord, in the multitude of thy mercies I will enter thy house, and adore thee in thy holy temple, and confess thy name.

When you take holy Water, say,

Sprinkle me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed: Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

An Oblation of the Mass according to the four Ends of this our Christian Sacrifice.

O Most merciful Father, and gracious God, who hast so loved the world, as not to spare thy only beloved Son, but deliveredst him up to suffer the cruel death of the cross for the redemption of us poor sinners; and wilt moreover have the same Oblation daily renewed in the Mass, that we may apply the fruit of his sacred passion for the benefit of our souls; grant, we humbly beseech thee,

that we may assist with all due respect, attention and devotion at these adorable mysteries of thy infinite wisdom and singular goodness, that we may be made partakers of the fruit and virtue of the bloody sacrifice of the cross, by this unbloody oblation at the altar. And as this our christian sacrifice contains all the virtue and perfection of those of the old-law, so we offer it up to thee in the true spirit of of the fourfold oblations of the ancient sacrifices. First then we offer it up, O Lord, in humble and sincere profession of the supreme power and dominion thou hast over us, and all creatures, to which we willingly submit, and earnestly beg, that we and all others may have the grace constantly to do the same. Secondly, we offer it up in satisfaction for all the sins we have ever committed, and in atonement for all the crimes, whereby thy infinite Majesty has any ways been displeased or offended. Thirdly, we offer it up as a thanksgiving and grateful acknowledgment of all the favours and blessings bestowed on us in general or particular. Lastly, we offer up our present sacrifice, that we may mercifully obtain of thy divine goodness, what thou knowest we stand most in need of,

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either for our soul or body, temporal or spiritual welfare. (*Here may be added in particular, what each one most wants for himself, or others living or dead.*) With these dispositions and intentions we approach, O God, thy altar, relying on thy power and mercy to grant our petitions, and supply us with grace for the performing of our duty: Through the divine merits of the sacred death and passion of thy only Son our Lord and Saviour Jesus-Christ, *Amen.*



An excellent Method of bearing MASS.

*Make the sign of the Cross with the Priest,
and say as follows.*

IN the Name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Ghost,
Amen.

I will draw near to thy altar, O my God, there to gain new strength and vigour to my soul; by thy grace separate me from those unbelievers, who have no trust in thee.

That grace which comforts me, when the remembrance of my sins afflicts and casts me down.

That grace which lets me know there is an everlasting refuge in thy goodness, and that thou art ready to forgive even our greatest sins, upon a sincere repentance.

The Psalm Judica me Deus, as also the Gloria in excelsis Deo and Creed are not said by the Priest in the Masses for the dead, and at some other times, which you may pass over, as you find he does.

The Priest bowing down says the Confiteor before he goes up to the Altar; say it with him as follows.

I Confess to Almighty God, to the blessed Virgin Mary, to the blessed Michael the Archangel, to the blessed John Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, Father, that I have very much sinned in thought, word and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, Father, to pray for me to our Lord God.

After the Confession, say.

O My God who hast commanded us to pray for one another, and in thy holy Church hast given even to Sinners the power of absolving from sin, receive with an equal bounty the prayers of thy People for the Priest, and those of thy Priest for the People. We beseech thee, O Lord, by the

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merits of those Saints, whose relicks are here, and of all the Saints, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to forgive me all my sins. *Amen.*

When the Priest goes first to the Book, and says the Introit, say.

GRANT, O Lord, we may be truly prepared for offering this great sacrifice to thee this day; and because our sins alone can render us displeasing to thee, we call aloud to thee for mercy.

At the Kyrie Eleison, say.

HAve mercy on me, O Lord, and forgive me all my sins.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, have mercy on me.

At the Gloria in Excelsis Deo, say.

GLORY be to God on high, and peace on earth to men of good will, we praise thee, we bless thee, we adore thee, we glorify thee, we give thee thanks for thy great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty, Lord Jesus-Christ the only

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begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; who takest away the sins of the world, hear our prayer; who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us; For thou only art holy, thou only art Lord, thou only, O Jesus-Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.* ✠

When the Priest turns to the People, and says:
Dominus vobiscum.

BE thou always with us, O my God, and let thy grace never depart from us.

Here the Priest says the Collects, or Prayers for the Day, say then.

Almighty and eternal God, we humbly beseech thee, mercifully to give ear to the prayers of thy servant, which he offers thee in the name of thy Church, and in behalf of us thy People: Accept them to the honor of thy name, and for the good of our souls, and grant us all those blessings, which may any ways contribute to our salvation: Thro' our Lord Jesus-Christ. *Amen.*

The Epistle following, say.

BE thou, O Lord, eternally praised and blessed, for having communicated thy Spirit to the Holy Prophets and Apostles, disclosing to them admirable secrets redounding to thy glory and our great good. We firmly believe their word because it is thine. Give us, we beseech thee, the happiness to understand and receive from the church by their instructions what is profitable, and grace to practise the same all our lives.

What follows is called the Gradual, say.

How wonderful, O Lord, is thy name through the whole world! I will bless our Lord at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Be thou my God and my protector: In thee alone will I put my trust, let me not be confounded for ever.

At the Gospel, when the People rise up, say.

BE thou ever adored and praised, O Lord, who art not content to instruct and enlighten us by the Prophets and Apostles,

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but hast even vouchsafed to speak to us by thy only Son our Saviour Jesus-Christ, commanding us by a voice from heaven to hear him. Grant us, merciful God, the grace to profit by his divine and heavenly doctrine. All that is written of thee, sweet Jesus, in thy gospel, is truth itself; nothing but wisdom in thy actions, power and goodness in thy miracles, light and instruction in thy words. With thee, sacred Redeemer, are words of eternal life: To whom shall we go but to thee, eternal fountain of truth: Give me, O God, grace to practise what thou commandest, and command what thou pleasest.

At Credo in unum Deum, say.

I Believe, O Lord, all thou hast taught me by thy holy Church. In this Faith, by the assistance of thy grace, I desire to live and die; by thy divine grace I am convinced of the sincerity and wisdom of those, who have delivered these sacred truths to us. Their miraculous success is a sufficient proof they were sent by thee. Of thy truth thus delivered my reason and will shall never doubt, never call in question whatever thou hast re-

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vealed to the holy Catholic Church, in which I am resolved to live and die.

At the Offertory, when the Priest uncovers the Chalice, say.

A Ccept O heavenly Father Almighty and eternal God, this unspotted host, which I thy unworthy Servant offer thee, the living and true God, for my innumerable sins, offences, & negligences, and for all here present, and for all faithful Christians living and dead, that it may avail me and them to life everlasting. *Amen.*

At the offering of the Chalice, say.

WE offer thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, beseeching thy clemency, that it may ascend before thy divine Majesty, as a sweet perfume for our salvation, and for that of the whole world.

Receive us, O Lord, in the spirit of humility, and a contrite heart; and may our sacrifice be such this day in thy sight that it may be pleasing to thee, O Lord God.

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When the Priest washes his fingers at the corner of the Altar, say.

THOU, O Lord, who once vouchsafed to wash thy disciples feet, before they were invited to thy holy table, wash us also, we beseech thee, from our iniquity, and purify from all stain our hearts, our desires, our souls, that we may be made innocent and pure.

Go on and, say.

RECEIVE, O holy Trinity, this oblation we make to thee, in memory of the passion, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus-Christ: And in honor of the ever blessed Virgin Mary, of blessed John Baptist, of the holy Apostles, Peter and Paul, of these, and of all the Saints, that it may be available to their honor and our salvation; and may they vouchsafe to intercede for us in heaven, whose memory we celebrate on earth Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

When the Priest turns about and says,
Orate Fratres, say.

MAY our Lord receive this sacrifice from thy hands to the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the benefit of his whole church.

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At the Secreta, or when the Priest is saying the Prayers proper to the day in a low voice, say.

Mercifully hear our prayers, O Lord, and graciously accept this oblation, which we thy servants are making to thee, that as we offer it to the honor of thy name, so it may be to us here a means of obtaining thy grace, and in the next life, everlasting happiness. *Amen.*

*When the Priest says with a loud voice,
Per omnia secula seculorum, say.*

It is verily meet and just, right and available to salvation, that we always, and in all places, give thanks to thee, Holy Lord, Father Almighty, eternal God thro' Christ our Lord, by whom the Angels praise thy Majesty, the dominations adore it, the heavens and the heavenly virtues, and blessed Seraphims with common jubilee glorify it; together with whom we beseech thee, that we may be admitted to join our voices, saying in suppliant cry.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of

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Sabbaoth, the heavens and earth are full
of thy glory :

Hosanna in the highest: Blessed is he
that comes in the name of the Lord:
Hosanna in the highest.

*What follows is called the Canon of the
Mass; say then.*

Most merciful Father, who hast gi-
ven us thy only Son, to be our
daily sacrifice, incline thy ears to our
prayers, and favour our desires; protect,
unite and govern thy holy church through-
out the whole world; pour forth thy
blessing on his present Holiness the pope,
on that Prelate, who has particular charge
over us, on our King, & all true profes-
sors of the Catholic faith.

*Whilst the priest makes his Memento or
Commemoration for the living, standing
with his hands joined before his breast,
make your Memento, praying in parti-
cular for yourself and friends, &c. as follows.*

I Offer to thee O eternal Father, with
this thy minister at the altar, this
oblation of the body and blood of thy
only Son to thy honor and glory, in

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remembrance of my Saviour's passion, in thanksgiving for all thy benefits, in satisfaction for all my sins, & for the obtaining of all graces necessary to live virtuously and die happily. I desire thee likewise to accept it for my parents (*if alive*) Friends and Benefactors; grant them all blessings spiritual and temporal: I also offer it up, for (*Here name the particular intention you would offer it up for, as for obtaining this virtue, overcoming that vice; for blessings, such as health, &c.*) as likewise for all, that are in misery, for those, I have any ways injured in word or deed, for all my enemies, for the conversion of sinners, and enlightening all that sit in darkness. O Father of mercies pour forth thy blessing on all according to their different necessities, through the merits of thy only Son our Lord.

Proceed and say.

GIve ear, we beseech thee, to the prayers of thy Servant, who is here appointed to make this oblation in our behalf, and grant it may be effectual for obtaining all those blessings he asks for us. Behold, O Lord, all here present united together, of which union this

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bread & wine are the symbols : Grant, ô Lord, that they may be made for us the true body & blood of thy dear Son, that we being consecrated to thee by this holy victim may live in thy service, and depart this life in thy grace.

At the Elevation of the sacred Host and Chalice, in memory of Christ when lifted upon the Cross; and first of the Host, say.

Most adorable body, I adore thee with all the powers of my soul : O Lord, who hast given thyself entire to us, grant we may become entirely thine : I believe, O Lord, help my weak belief; most merciful Saviour, be thou my advocate with thy heavenly Father; strengthen and defend me by thy heavenly grace, now, and especially at the hour of my death, sweet Jesus. *Amen.*

At the Elevation of the Chalice, say.

Most adorable blood, that washes away all our sins, I adore thee with all the powers of my soul. Happy we, if we can return our life and blood for thine. O Jesus, do thou cleanse, sanctify, and preserve our souls to eter-

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nal life. Live, Jesus, in us, and we in thee.

After the Elevation, say.

IT is now, O Lord, with grateful hearts we call to mind the sacred mysteries of thy passion & death, thy resurrection and ascension. Here is thy body that was nailed to the cross; here is thy blood that was shed for us, both which are contained under the forms of bread and wine. It is now we truly offer thee, O Lord, that pure & holy victim, which thou hast been pleased to give us, of which all the other sacrifices of the old law were but so many types and figures.

Whilst the Priest makes his Memento for the dead, standing in silence with his hands joined before his breast, make your Memento; thus.

I Offer thee, O Lord, this holy sacrifice of the body & blood of thy only Son in behalf of the faithful departed, and in particular for the souls of (*here name whom you chiefly proposed to pray for*) my parents, (*if dead*) relations, benefactors, neighbours, &c. likewise for such as I have any ways injured, or

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been the occasion of their sins : for such as have injured me , and been my enemies : for such as die in war , or have none to pray for them , &c. To these , O Lord , and to all that rest in Christ grant , we beseech thee , a place of refreshment , light , & peace thro' the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

When the Priest strikes his breast , and with a loud voice says , Nobis quoque peccatoribus , say.

Vouchsafe to grant the same this day to us poor & miserable sinners , and judge us not according to our demerits ; but thro' the infinite multitude of thy mercies , in which we hope , liberally extend to us thy grace and pardon.

We ask it of thee , in the name of thy dear Son , who lives and reigns eternally with thee , and in that form of prayer , which he himself has taught us.

At the Pater noster , say it with the Priest , as follows.

OUr Father , who art in heaven ; hallowed be thy name ; thy kingdom come ; thy will be done on earth ,

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as it is in heaven ; give us this day our daily bread ; and forgive us our trespasses , as we forgive them , that trespass against us ; and lead us not into temptation , but deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

Deliver us from those evils , we labour under at present ; from past evils , incurred by our manifold sins , and from evils to come , which will be the just chastisement of our offences , if our prayers , and those more powerful ones of thy Saints , who intercede for us , appease not thy justice , & excite thee to spare us.

Here the Priest breaking the Host puts a particle in the Chalice ; say then.

THy body was broken , and thy blood was shed for us : Grant that the commemoration of this holy mystery may obtain us peace ; and that those , who receive it may find everlasting rest.

At Agnus Dei , or Lamb of God , say it with the Priest.

Lamb of God , who takest away the sins of the world , have mercy on us.

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Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

At the prayers before Communion, say.

IN saying to thy apostles, my peace I leave you, my peace I give you; thou hast promised, O Lord, to all thy church, that peace which the world cannot give: Peace with thee, and peace with ourselves.

Let nothing, O Lord, ever disturb this holy peace: let nothing separate us from thee, to whom we heartily desire to be united thro' this blessed bond of peace and reconciliation: May this food of angels strengthen us in every christian duty, so as never more to yield to temptations, or fall into our common frailties.

At the Domine non sum dignus and Communion, say it with the priest, with humility and contrition, striking your breast, as follows, three times.

Lord, I am not worthy thou shouldst enter under my roof, say only the word, and my soul shall be healed.

Whilst the Priest receives, those who do not communicate really, may receive in spirit and desire by spiritual Communion so much recommended and practised by the Saints: This according to the Council of Trent is a true fervent desire of receiving this heavenly bread, by which desire the longing soul partakes of its fruit & benefit: This desire to be efficacious must be accompanied with a lively faith working by charity, with firm confidence in the great virtue of the Sacrament, with ardent love for Jesus Christ inviting him to take possession of our heart, and above all with hearty sorrow for our sins, which render us unworthy of receiving sacramentally... This devotion may be performed not only at Mass, as it always should be, but at any hour of the day with great profit, and is the more beneficial, as our Hunger & thirst is the greater.

The Prayer for spiritual Communion.

Most loving Jesus, I adore thee with a lively faith, who art present in this sacrament, by virtue of thy infinite power, wisdom and goodness: but conscious of my infirmities and sins I dare not now receive thee sacramentally. All

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my hope is in thee : I love thee, O Lord, with all my heart, who hast so loved me ; and am heartily sorry for all my sins, because they are displeasing to thee ; I earnestly desire to receive thee now as the food of my soul, come therefore, O Lord, to me in spirit, and heal my sinful soul. Feed me that am hungry ; comfort me that am weak ; enliven and sanctify me with thy sacred body and blood, deliver me from all sin, and make me always obedient to thy commands ; and let me never be separated from thee, my Saviour, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God for ever.

During the Ablution, and wiping of the Chalice, say.

Give us, O Lord, a part in the fruit of thy death and passion, the sacred memory of which we have commemorated in our present sacrifice and communion. Happy those, who sit at thy table to partake of the bread of life. O Jesus, my soul sighs after thee : I long with thy Apostle to be dissolved, and to be with thee. My heart and my whole body with transports of joy seek the living God.

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My soul languishes with ardent desire of entering into the house of our Lord. I love thee, O my God, with all my heart. O that I could always enjoy the presence of thy adorable body, which is the pledge of our eternal happiness! I adore thy goodness, and return thee hearty thanks, O gracious Lord, for thy inestimable favour and mercy, in admitting me to be present this day at the dreadful sacrifice, where thou art both Priest and Victim. Make me, O God, always sensible of this great blessing, and let not my unworthiness stop the effects of thy mercy and goodness.

When the Chalice is covered, the priest goes to the book, and reads the Communion; say then.

GRANT, O Lord, that we, who have been present at this holy mystery, may find the benefit of it in our souls.

At the Post-Communion, when the priest goes a second time to the book, say.

WE give thee thanks, O God, for thy mercy in admitting us to have a part in offering this sacrifice to thy holy name, accept it now to thy glory, and be ever mindful of our weakness.

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Proceed as follows.

Most gracious God, Father of mercies, grant, I beseech thee, that this adorable sacrifice of the blessed body and blood of thy Son our Lord Jesus-Christ may obtain mercy for us all, and the remission of all our sins. *Amen.*

When the Priest turns to the people, and gives them the Blessing; make the sign of the Cross, and say.

THe blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost descend upon us, and dwell in our hearts for ever. *Amen.*

Here, whilst the priest says St. John's, or the last Gospel at the corner of the Altar, say.

O Eternal Word, speak to my soul, which adores thee in profound silence. Thou art the great Creator of all things: abandon not, I beseech thee, thy own creature; be thou my life, my light, and my all.

O Light eternal, enlighten me in this present life, and in the life to come.

Reign in me as in thy own temple; for thou, O Lord, hast made me for thyself, thou hast redeemed me with thy blood; may I be ever thine.

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I have sinned too much against Heaven, and before thee, and am not worthy to be called thy Son.

Thou, God incarnate, have pity on my frail and mortal flesh, and grant it may one day see what it here adores below. *Amen.*

Prayers after Mass.

I Render thee all possible praise, and thanks, O sovereign Creator, for the favour I have this day received of thy bounty, and of which many better deserving christians are deprived. Receive, O Lord, my unworthy prayers, supply all my defects, pardon all my distractions and indevotion: Grant, that by the strength and virtue of those divine mysteries I may go on chearfully in the path of thy commandments, love and serve thee amidst all the temptations, troubles, and dangers of my pilgrimage, till I one day happily arrive at thy heavenly kingdom, where with thy blessed angels and saints I shall more clearly contemplate thee, more perfectly enjoy thee, and more fervently celebrate thy infinite goodness and mercy, with uninterrupted canticles of eternal praise, admiration, and gratitude. *Amen.*

Another

*Another Method of bearing Mass according
to the four ends of the Sacrifice.*

A Prayer for the beginning of Mass.

O My God, my sovereign Lord I
here come to accompany the Priest,
whom the Church sends as an embassa-
dor to thy Divine Majesty : I join my
heartly assent to all the praises he shall
give thee, to all the adoration, prayers,
& desires he shall address to thee, and
I desire to partake of the heavenly food
he will receive... I am a member of that
mystical body, of which he represents
the mouth : let therefore this divine bread,
and this blood pour down its virtue upon
me, and all the faithfull united with him
in affection... O eternal Father behold
the face of thy Christ, behold the wounds
of thy beloved son ; look not upon us,
who are so undeserving of thy notice,
but upon Jesus replenished with humility,
that covers our boldness & presumption :
We are truly ungrateful, but his love
satisfies for our ingratitude ; our sins are
great, but his satisfactions are still grea-
ter, our demerits are excessive, but his

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merits are infinite, our sins cry loud for vengeance, but his blood craves mercy for us: Behold then the face of thy Christ, and turn away thine eyes from my numberless sins: behold the wounds & sufferings of thy son; for his sake pardon those, for whom he has suffered so much, & given all even his very life: **O** behold the face of thy Christ.

The first End.

1. **O** My God I firmly believe and acknowledge thy sovereign dominion over all creatures as their first beginning & last end; and that thou hast all right & power to dispose of me according to thy Holy will & pleasure even to destroy & reduce me to nothing: I am the work of thy hands; in thee I live, move, and exist: Whatever I have or possess either in body or soul comes from thy goodness, and ought to be entirely consecrated to thy glory & service...

2. In acknowledgment of this thy sovereignty & my dependance on thee, my Lord & my God, behold I here present myself before thy altar, as a victim wholly prepared to give up my whole self into thy hands, and ready to be con-

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sumed as a Holocaust to thy greater glory; yes my God I protest before Heaven & earth that I am not only content, but shall deem it a favor to lay down at thy feet this life & being, I have received from thee, in testimony that I come from thee, and depend on thee for every thing.

3. But knowing, my God, thou desirest not this real destruction of my life, and that my life tho' consumed as a Holocaust in thy honor would not be a Sacrifice proportioned to thy infinite greatness, nor a worthy tribute of homage, I present to thee, ô great God, the life of my dear Saviour Jesus Christ in place of mine in acknowledgment of thy sovereign dominion, and my dependance on thee. He has wholly given himself to us to be our victim, and will have us supply by his homage what is wanting to ours: Therefore I offer thee the very same homage he once offered on the cross, and which he offers again on this, and all other altars in the world by his unbloody sacrifice: I offer it O my God, together with all the Priests, who this day celebrate, as a tribute of homage & adoration worthy thy infinite Majesty.

The second End.

1. **O** Inexhaustible source of liberality I believe and confess that whatever I am, and whatever I have whether in body or soul, I have received all from thee without any merits of mine, all from thy pure mercy, goodness & love: This truth I here come to acknowledge in the presence of heaven & earth protesting before this altar that I have received from thy liberality such a copious treasure of graces & favors, as I am not able to conceive, much less express.

2. But desirous not to be ungrateful, or backward in making the best return, my poverty is able to make, I beseech thee, O Sovereign benefactor, to accept my heart with all possible sentiments of gratitude, and thanksgiving for what I owe: I assure thee that all these favors are in my esteem of infinite value; because they come from thee as so many marks of thy infinite goodness & love, and because they are bestowed on a person so undeserving of the least favor: Behold me here in this public place exposed to the view of men and Angels ready to publish to the whole world my

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numberless obligations to thee; yes, my God, I desire all should understand that thou hast heaped upon me such benefits & favors, as I am not able to conceive, much less express, and that thou hast entirely gained my heart by this thy liberality; on this account I present myself as a donary on thy altar, as a signal & memorial to the whole world of my numberless obligations to thee: Receive, ô my God, in requital for so many favors, receive the firm purpose, I here make of employing myself henceforward wholly in thy service, & of obeying thy holy will, and seeking thy greater honor & glory in all things.

3. But knowing, my God that, tho' my heart & all my being should melt away & be totally consumed in these affections of thanksgiving, all would fall infinitely short of what is due for such a multitude of favors; to supply what is wanting I present thee with that act of thanksgiving thy son once offered thee on the cross, and which he offers thee to day upon this & all other altars of the world in return for all thy bounties towards us: He has made us his heirs of all his merits, & consequently of his thanksgiving, which I beseech thee, my

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God, to receive from his hands as a truly pleasing acknowledgment, & a worthy return for all benefits & favors bestowed upon us.

The third End.

1. **O** My God, I confess to my great shame & confusion, that I have grievously offended thy infinite Majesty by my innumerable sins, & that I truly deserve to feel the rigors of thy divine justice; I own thou hast all right to punish me and take vengeance on my grievous offences; and it is with submission to this right I here prostrate myself guilty as I am, before thy throne of justice to make all possible satisfaction I am able to perform.

2. O my God, I am heartily sorry for these and all my numberless sins, whereby I have so ungratefully offended thy infinite goodness, and I offer up to thee by way of atonement & satisfaction all the pains, afflictions, misfortunes, crosses, which I suffer or ever shall suffer in body, or mind by whatever way, or by whatever hand thy merciful providence shall please to send them, humbly confessing that I deserve all this and willingly sub-

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mit to it as due to my sins : Behold here my body , my soul , my goods both exterior & interior ; all which I entirely lay down at thy feet , and give them up into thy just revenging hands protesting that I will accept and bear patiently whatever shall befall me , as my due and out of that determined will I have to satisfy in some sort for the many & heavy debts , I have still to pay .

3. But all this not being sufficient entirely to satisfy for my sins , which have deserved infinite punishment , to supply what is wanting I present to thee , ô my God , all the sufferings of my dear Saviour J. Christ , the merits of which he has left me in the unbloody Sacrifice of the altar . In the old law thou ordaindest that the children of Israel after having sinned should substitute a victim in their own place , on which they layed their crimes , and then offered it up to thee to receive the scourges of thy wrath , which they themselves deserved , and ought to have felt : Behold I likewise substitute here a most precious victim in my place , to wit , thy only & dearly beloved son , whose sufferings were far more rigorous than thy justice required for all the sins of the world : These he has

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left us in the Sacrifice of the Mass to be applied to our souls : Grant , ô Lord , that I may discharge all my debts out of these treasures , he at present sends me from all the altars of the world , and which I present to thee jointly with him : Accept all the merits of his most bitter death and passion in full payment for all I owe : Wherefore assisting really at this so tender a memorial of his bitter death and passion and desirous of assisting at every other Mass, I offer them all to thy offended justice in satisfaction for all my sins ; and for the poor souls in Purgatory.

The Fourth End.

1. **O** My God behold here a most miserable wretch prostrate at thy feet in the greatest want of all things : I must confess the truth that I have nothing , & that thou hast all things in abundance , therefore 'tis from thee alone I can hope for any relief.

2. Wherefore I here place myself at the gate of thy mercy humbly beseeching thee to take pity on the most miserable creature under Heaven : O God of all bounty , behold & succour my necessities :

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incline thine ear to my earnest supplication : Give me the grace of a perfect contrition , that may wash away all my sins : Restore me to thy gracious favor , if I have unfortunately lost this rich & only treasure , & preserve me in possession of the same. Grant me all virtues agreeable to my vocation , all talents , that are necessary to promote thy honor & glory , & refuse me not the comforts of this life in such a degree , as is necessary for my salvation : Permit me also to pray for the conversion of all sinners , the perseverance of all the just , the exaltation of the Holy Catholic Church , the extirpation of errors & heresies , the consolation of the afflicted , the prosperity of my Parents , friends & relations , & above all for the forgiveness of all my enemies : I beseech thee to shower down thy blessings on the Pope , & all Christian Princes both spiritual & temporal , upon all superiors both Ecclesiastical & Civil throughout the whole world ; but particularly in my own country by fixing them in the true faith , & a virtuous life.

3. It is indeed very true , my God , that I deserve not the least of these favors , and I have nothing to move thy bounty in my behalf ; however calling to

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mind, that my dear Saviour Jesus-Christ has made me heir of all his merits, & applies the same to me by the holy sacrifice of Mass, I receive them from his bounty to offer them all to thy infinite goodness; which I now do, and I repeat this oblation as many times as Masses are said to day throughout the whole world most confidently hoping to obtain what I here come to request of thee: Look not therefore upon my demerits & unworthiness, both which I confess to thy divine Majesty, but look upon the merits of thy well beloved son, which are sufficient to render the most unworthy most deserving of thy favors: Shew therefore, O eternal Father, on this occasion both thy justice, & the merits & credit of thy son: Behold him upon this altar joining his prayers with mine, behold his adorable wounds, in which I lodge all my petitions & hopes of success: Be propitious then & favorable to those, whom he commands to ask in his name, & to whom he communicates his merits: Behold I am one of those, honor him therefore I beseech thee by granting me what both he and I most earnestly beg of thee.

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Sacerdos.

IN nomine Patris, & Filii, & Spiritus sancti. Amen. Introibo ad Altare Dei.

Minister. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem meam.

S. Judica me Deus, & discerne causam meam, de gente non sancta, ab homine iniquo & doloso erue me.

M. Quia tu es Deus, fortitudo mea; quare me repulisti: Et quare tristis incedo, dum affligit me inimicus?

S. Emitte lucem tuam, & veritatem tuam; ipsa me deduxerunt, & adduxerunt in montem sanctum tuum, & in tabernacula tua.

M. Et introibo ad Altare Dei; ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem meam.

S. Confitebor tibi in citharâ Deus, Deus meus: quare tristis es, anima mea, & quare conturbas me?

M. Spera in Deo quoniam adhuc confitebor illi; salutare vultus mei, & Deus meus.

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S. Gloria Patri, & Filio, & Spiritui sancto.

M. Sicut erat in principio, & nunc & semper, & in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

S. Introibo ad Altare Dei.

M. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem meam.

S. Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

M. Qui fecit Cœlum & terram.

S. Confiteor Deo, &c. Ideo precor, &c.

M. Misereatur tui omnipotens Deus, & dimissis peccatis tuis, perducatur te ad vitam æternam. S. Amen.

M. Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, beatæ Mariæ semper Virgini, beato Michaëli Archangelo, beato Joanni Baptiste, sanctis Apostolis Petro & Paulo, omnibus Sanctis, & tibi Pater; quia peccavi nimis cogitatione, verbo & opere: meâ culpâ, meâ culpâ, meâ maximâ culpâ. Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem, beatum Michaëlem Archangelum, beatum Joannem Baptistam, sanctos Apostolos Petrum & Paulum, omnes Sanctos, & te Pater, orare pro me, ad Dominum Deum nostrum.

S. Misereatur vestri, &c.

M. Amen.

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S. Indulgentiam, &c. tribuat nobis
omnipotens & misericors Dominus.

M. Amen.

S. Deus, tu conversus vivificabis nos.

M. Et plebs tua lætabitur in te.

S. Ostende nobis Domine, misericor-
diam tuam.

M. Et salutare tuum da nobis.

S. Domine exaudi orationem meam.

M. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

Before the Epistle.

S. Kyrie eleison. M. Kyrie eleison.

S. Kyrie eleison. M. Christe eleison.

S. Christe eleison. M. Christe eleison.

S. Kyrie eleison. M. Kyrie eleison.

S. Kyrie eleison.

When the Priest says.

Flectamus genua.

Answer Levate.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

S. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

M. Amen.

At the end of the Epistle answer.

M. Deo gratias.

At the Gospel.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

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S. Sequentia (vel Initium) sancti Evangelii secundum Matthæum, Joannem, &c.

M. Gloria tibi Domine.

At the end of the Gospel answer.

M. Laus tibi Christe.

After the Gospel.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

S. Orate, Fratres.

M. Suscipiat Dominus Sacrificium de manibus tuis ad laudem, & gloriam nominis sui, ad utilitatem quoque nostram, totiusque Ecclesiæ suæ sanctæ.

S. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

S. Sursum corda.

M. Habemus ad dominum.

S. Gratias agamus Domino deo nostro.

M. Dignum, & justum est.

At the Elevation of the host and Chalice ring the bell.

After the Elevation.

S. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

S. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.

M. Sed libera nos à malo.

S. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

S. Pax Domini sit semper vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

After the Communion of the Priest.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

S. Per omnia secula seculorum. Amen.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

S. *Ite, Missa est, vel Benedicamus Domino.*

M. Deo gratias.

When the Priest says.

S. Requiescant in pace.

M. Amen.

S. Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus, Pater, & Filius, & Spiritus Sanctus.

M. Amen.

S. Dominus vobiscum.

M. Et cum Spiritu tuo.

S. Initium Sancti Evangelii secundum Joannem, (*vel* Sequentia, &c.)

M. Gloria tibi Domine.

At the end of St. John's Gospel answer.

M. Deo gratias.

OTHER PRAYERS.

Pater noster, qui es in coelis sanctificetur nomen tuum, adveniat regnum tuum, fiat voluntas tua, sicut in coelo & in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da

nobis hodie : & dimitte nobis debita nostra , sicut & nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris : & ne nos inducas in tentationem : sed libera nos à malo. Amen.

A Ve Maria , gratia plena : Dominus tecum : Benedicta tu in mulieribus , & benedictus fructus ventris tui Jesus. Sancta Maria , Mater Dei , ora pro nobis peccatoribus nunc , & in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

C Redo in Deum Patrem omnipotentem , creatorem cœli & terræ. Et in Jesum Christum Filium ejus unicum , Dominum nostrum : qui conceptus est de Spiritu sancto , natus ex Maria Virgine , passus sub Pontio Pilato , crucifixus , mortuus & sepultus : descendit ad inferos : tertiâ die resurrexit à mortuis : ascendit ad cœlos , sedet ad dexteram Dei Patris omnipotentis : inde venturus est judicare vivos & mortuos. Credo in Spiritum sanctum , sanctam Ecclesiam Catholicam , Sanctorum communionem , remissionem peccatorum , carnis resurrectionem , vitam æternam. Amen.



THE ANTHEM.

NE reminiscaris,
domine, delicta
nostra, vel paren-
tum nostrorum, ne-
que vindictam su-
mas de peccatis nos-
tris.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe audi nos.

Christe exaudi nos.

Pater de coelis Deus
miserere nobis.

Fili redemptor mun-
di Deus, *miserere.*

Spiritus sancte Deus,
miserere.

Sancta Trinitas unus
Deus, *miserere.*

REmember not,
O Lord, our
offences, nor those
of our parents, nei-
ther take thou ven-
geance of our Sins.

Lord have *mercy on*
us.

Christ have *mercy on*
us.

Lord have *mercy on*
us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously
hear us.

God the Father of
heaven, *have mer-*
cy on us.

God the Son, re-
deemer of the
world, *have.*

God the Holy ghost,
have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity one
God, *have.*

Sancta Maria , ora Holy Mary , pray for
pro nobis. us.

Sancta Dei genitrix , Holy Mother of
God ,

'Sancta virgo virgi- Holy Virgin of Vir-
num , gins ,

Sancte Michael , St. Michael ,

Sancte Gabriel , St Gabriel ,

Sancte Raphael , St. Raphael ,

Omnes Sancti ange- All ye holy Angels
li , & archangeli , and Archangels ,

Omnes sancti beato- All ye holy Orders
rum spirituum or- of blessed Spi-
dines , rits ,

Sancte Joannes Bap- St. John Baptist ,
tista ,

Sancte Joseph , St. Joseph ,

Omnes sancti Patriar- All ye holy Patriarchs
chæ & Prophetæ , and Prophets ,

Sancte Petre , St. Peter ,

Sancte Paule , St. Paul ,

Sancte Andrea , St. Andrew ,

Sancte Jacobe , St. James ,

Sancte Joannes , St. John ,

Sancte Thoma , St. Thomas ,

Sancte Jacobe , St. James ,

Sancte Philippe , St. Philip ,

Sancte Bartholo- St. Bartholomew ,
mæe ,

Sancte Matthæ , St. Matthew ,

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Sancte Simon, ora pro nobis.	St. Simon, pray for us.
Sancte Thaddæe,	St. Thaddée,
Sancte Mathia,	St. Mathias,
Sancte Barnaba,	St. Barnabas,
Sancte Luca,	St. Luke,
Sancte Marce,	St. Mark,
Omnes sancti apōf- toli & evangelistæ,	All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists,
Omnes sancti disci- puli domini,	All ye holy Disciples of our Lord,
Omnes sancti inno- centes,	All ye holy Inno- cents,
Sancte Stephane,	St. Stephen,
Sancte Laurenti,	St. Laurence,
Sancte Vincenti,	St. Vincent,
Sancti Fabiane & Sebastiane,	SS. Fabian and Sebastian,
Sancti Joannes & Paule,	SS. John and Paul,
Sancti Cosma & Da- miane,	SS. Cosmas and Da- mian,
Sancti Gervasi & Protasi,	SS. Gervase and Protase,
Omnes sancti mar- tyres,	All ye holy martyrs,
Sancte Sylvester,	St. Sylvester,
Sancte Gregori,	St. Gregory,
Sancte Ambrosi,	St. Ambrose,
Sancte Augustine,	St. Augustin,

Sancte Hieronyme,	St. Jerome,	pray for us.
Sancte Martine,	St. Martin,	
Sancte Nicolae,	St. Nicholas,	
Omnes sancti Ponti- fices, & confesso- res,	All ye holy Bishops and Confessors,	
Omnes sancti docto- res,	All ye holy Doctors,	
Sancte Antoni,	St. Anthony,	
Sancte Benedicte,	St. Bennet,	
Sancte Bernarde,	St. Bernard,	
Sancte Dominice,	St. Dominic,	
Sancte Francisce,	St. Francis,	
Omnes sancti sacer- dotes & levitæ,	All ye holy Priests and Levites,	
Omnes sancti mona- chi & eremitæ,	All ye holy Monks and Hermits,	
Sancta Maria Mag- dalena,	St. Mary Magda- len,	
Sancta Agatha,	St. Agatha,	
Sancta Lucia,	St. Lucy,	
Sancta Agnes,	St. Agnes,	
Sancta Cæcilia,	St. Cecily,	
Sancta Catharina,	St. Catharine,	
Sancta Anastasia,	St. Anastasia,	
Omnes sanctæ virgi- nes & viduæ,	All ye holy Virgins and Widows,	
Omnes sancti & sanctæ Dei, inter-	All ye Men and Wo- men Saints of	

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cedite pro nobis.

God, intercede for

Propitius esto, parce
nobis Domine.

Be merciful, spare
us, O Lord.

Propitius esto, exau-
di nos Domine.

Be merciful, gra-
tiously hear us, O

Lord.

Ab omni malo, li-
bera nos Domine.

From all evil, O
Lord deliver us.

Ab omni peccato,

From all sin,

Ab irâ tuâ,

From thy wrath,

A subitanâ & im-
provisâ morte,

From sudden and
unprovided Death,

Ab insidiis diaboli,

From the deceits
of the Devil,

Ab irâ, & odio, &
omni malâ volun-
tate,

From anger, ha-
tred, and all
ill-will,

A spiritu fornicâ-
tionis,

From the spirit of
fornication,

A fulgure & tempe-
state,

From lightning
and tempest,

A morte perpetuâ,

From everlasting
death,

Per mysterium sanc-
tæ incarnationis

By the mystery of thy
holy incarnation,

Per adventum tuum,

By thy coming,

Per natiuitatem tuam,

By thy nativity,

Per baptismum &

By thy baptism and

sanctum jejunium tuum, libera nos Domine.	holy fasting, O Lord deliver us.
Per crucem & passio- nem tuam,	By thy cross and passion,
Per mortem & sepul- turam tuam,	By thy death and burial,
Per sanctam resurrec- tionem tuam,	By thy holy resur- rection,
Per admirabilem as- censionem tuam,	By thy admirable ascension,
Per adventum spi- ritus sancti para- cleti,	By the coming of the Holy Ghost the comforter,
In die iudicii,	In the day of judg- ment,
Peccatores, te roga- mus audi nos.	We sinners, beseech thee to hear us.
Ut nobis parcas, te rogamus audi nos.	That thou spare us, we beseech thee.
Ut nobis indulgeas, te rogamus audi nos.	That thou pardon us, we beseech thee.
Ut ad veram poeni- tentiam nos per- ducere digneris, te rogamus.	That thou vouchsafe to bring us to true penance, we be- seech thee.
Ut ecclesiam tuam sanctam regere & conservare digne- ris, te rogamus.	That thou vouchsafe to govern and pre- serve thy holy Church, we.

libera nos Domine.

O Lord deliver us.

Ut domnum apostolicum & omnes ecclesiasticos ordines in sancta religione conservare digneris, *te rogamus audi nos.*

Ut inimicos sanctæ ecclesiæ humiliare digneris, *te rogamus audi nos.*

Ut regibus & principibus christianis pacem & veram concordiam donare digneris, *te rogamus.*

Ut cuncto populo christiano pacem & unitatem largiri digneris, *te rogamus.*

Ut nosmetipsos in tuo sancto servitio confortare & conservare digneris, *te rogamus.*

Ut mentes nostras ad coelestia desideria erigas, *te rogamus.*

That thou vouchsafe to preserve our apostolic Prelate, and all ecclesiastical Orders in holy religion, *we beseech thee.*

That thou vouchsafe to humble the enemies of thy holy church, *we.*

That thou vouchsafe to give peace and true concord to christian Kings and Princes, *we beseech thee.*

That thou vouchsafe to grant peace and unity to all christian people, *we beseech thee.*

That thou vouchsafe to comfort and keep us in thy holy Service, *we beseech thee.*

That thou lift up our minds to heavenly desires, *we.*

- Ut omnibus benefac-
toribus nostris
sempiterna bona
retribuas, *te ro-
gamus.*
- Ut animas nostras,
fratrum, propin-
quorum, & bene-
factorum nostro-
rum ab æterna
damnatione eri-
pias, *te rogamus.*
- Ut fructus terræ dare
& conservare dig-
neris, *te rogamus*
audi nos.
- Ut omnibus fidelibus
defunctis requiem
æternam donare
digneris, *te.*
- Ut nos exaudire dig-
neris, *te rogamus*
audi nos.
- Fili Dei, *te rogamus.*
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
parce nobis Domine.
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
- That thou render e-
ternal good things
to our benefac-
tors, *we beseech*
thee to hear us.
- That thou deliver
our souls, and
those of our bre-
thren, kinsfolks,
and benefactors,
from eternal dam-
nation, *we beseech.*
- That thou vouchsafe
to give and pre-
serve the fruits of
the earth, *we.*
- That thou vouchsafe
to give eternal rest
to all the faithful
departed, *we.*
- That thou vouchsafe
graciously to hear
us, *we beseech.*
- Son of God, *we.*
- Lamb of God, that
takest away the
Sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
- Lamb of God, that
takest away the

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exaudi nos Domine.

Sins of the world,
hear us, O Lord.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Lamb of God, that
takest away the
Sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Christe audi nos.

Christ hear us.

Christe exaudi nos.

Christ graciously hear
us.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy on
us.

Christe eleison.

Christ have mercy on
us.

Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy on
us.

Pater noster, *secreto*,
Et ne nos inducas in
tentationem.

Our father, *secretly*,
And lead us not into
temptation.

Sed libera nos à
malo.

But deliver us from
evil.

The 69 Psalm.

DEus in adjuto-
rium meum in-
tende : Domine ad
adjuvandum me fes-
tina.

INcline to my aid,
O God : O Lord
make haste to help
me.

Confundantur &
revereantur, qui

Let them be con-
founded and as-

quærun^t animam hamed, who seek
meam. my soul.

Avertantur retror- Let them be tur-
sum, & erubescant, ned backward, and
qui volunt mihi blush for shame,
mala. who wish me evil.

Avertantur statim Let them be tur-
erubescences, qui di- ned away forthwith
cunt mihi : euge, ashamed, who say to
euge. me, well, well.

Exultent & læten- Let all that seek
tur in te omnes qui thee rejoice, and be
quærun^t te : & dicant glad in thee : and let
semper, magnificetur such as love thy sal-
Dominus, qui dili- vation, say always,
gunt salutare tuum. the Lord be magni-
fied.

Ego vero egenus But I am needy
& pauper sum : Deus and poor, O God
adjuva me. help me.

Adjutor meus, & Thou art my hel-
liberator meus es tu : per and deliverer, O
Domine ne moreris. Lord be not slack.

Gloria patri, &c. Glory be, &c.
V. Salvos fac servos V. Save thy ser-
tuos. vants.

R. Deus meus spe- R. Trusting in thee,
rantes in te. O my God.

V. Esto nobis do- V. Be to us, O
mine turris forti- Lord, a Tower
tudinis. of strength.

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| R. A facie inimici. | R. From the face
of the enemy. |
| V. Nihil proficiat
inimicus in nobis. | V. Let not the ene-
my prevail against
us. |
| R. Et filius iniqui-
tatis non apponat
nocere nobis. | R. Nor the Son of
iniquity have po-
wer to hurt us. |
| V. Domine non se-
cundum peccata
nostra facias nobis. | V. Lord deal not
with us according
to our sins. |
| R. Neque secundum
iniquitates nostras
retribuas nobis. | R. Nor reward us ac-
cording to our ini-
quities. |
| V. Oremus pro Pon-
tifice nostro N. | V. Let us pray for
our chief bishop N. |
| R. Dominus conser-
vet eum, & vivifi-
cet eum, & bea-
tum faciat eum
in terra, & non
tradat eum in
animam inimico-
rum ejus. | R. Our Lord preserve
him, and give him
life, and make him
blessed on earth,
and deliver him
not to the will of
his enemies. |
| V. Oremus pro be-
nefactoribus nos-
tris. | V. Let us pray for
our benefactors. |
| R. Retribuere dig-
nare Domine om-
nibus nobis bona | R. Vouchsafe, O
Lord, for thy na-
me's sake, to give |

facientibus prop-
ter nomen tuum
vitam æternam.
Amen.

eternal life to all
that do us good.

V. Oremus pro fide-
libus defunctis.

V. Let us pray for
all the faithful de-
parted.

R. Requiem æter-
nam dona eis
domine, & lux
perpetua luceat
eis.

R. Eternal rest give
to them, O Lord,
and let perpetual
light shine on
them.

V. Requiescant in
Pace. R. Amen.

V. May they rest in
Peace. R. Amen.

V. Pro fratribus nos-
tris absentibus.

V. For our absent
brethren.

R. Salvos fac servos
tuos, Deus meus,
sperantes in te.

R. O my God, save
thy servants trust-
ing in thee.

V. Mitte eis domine
auxilium de sanc-
to.

V. Send them help,
O Lord, from thy
holy place.

R. Et de Sion tuere
eos.

R. And from Sion
Protect them.

V. Domine exaudi
orationem meam.

V. O Lord, hear my
prayer.

R. Et clamor meus
ad te veniat.

R. And let my cry
come to thee.

V. Dominus vobis-
cum.

V. Our Lord be with
you.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo. R. And with thy spirit.

Oremus.

Let us pray.

Deus, cui proprium est misereri semper & parcere: suscipe deprecationem nostram, ut nos, & omnes famulos tuos, quos delictorum catena constringit, miseratione tuæ pietatis clementer absolvat.

Exaudi, quæsumus Domine, supplicum preces, & confitentium tibi peccatis: ut pariter nobis indulgentiam tribuas benignus & pacem.

Ineffabilem nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam clementer ostende: ut simul

O God, whose property is always to have mercy and to spare: receive our petition, that we, and all thy servants, who are bound by the chain of sin, may by the compassion of thy goodness mercifully be absolved.

Hear, we beseech thee, O Lord, our humble prayers, and pardon the sins of them that confess to thee: that of thy bounty thou may'st give us pardon and peace.

Out of thy clemency, O Lord, shew us thy unspeakable mercy: that so

nos. & à peccatis
omnibus exuas, &
à poenis, quas pro
his meremur, eri-
pias.

Deus, qui culpa
offenderis, poeniten-
tia placaris, preces
populi tui supplican-
tis propitius respice;
& flagella tuæ ira-
cundiæ, quæ pro
peccatis nostris me-
remur, averte.

Omnipotens sem-
piterne Deus mise-
rere famulo tuo Pon-
tifici nostro N. &
dirige eum secun-
dum tuam clemen-
tiam in viam salutis
æternæ; ut te do-
nante tibi placita
cupiat, & totâ vir-
tute perficiat.

thou may'st both ac-
quit us of our sins,
and deliver us from
the punishments we
deserve for them.

O God, who by
sin art offended, and
by penance pacified,
mercifully regard the
prayers of thy peo-
ple making supplica-
tion to thee, and
turn away the scour-
ges of thy anger,
which we deserve
for our Sins.

O Almighty eter-
nal God, have mercy
on thy servant N. our
chief bishop, and di-
rect him according
to thy clemency in
the way of everlas-
ting salvation; that
by thy grace he may
desire such things as
are agreeable to thy
will, and perform
them with all his
strength.

Deus, à quo
sancta desideria, rec-
ta consilia, & iusta
sunt opera; da servis
tuis illam, quam
mundus dare non
potest, pacem; ut &
corda nostra manda-
tis tuis dedita, &
hostium sublatâ for-
midine, tempora
sint tua protectione
tranquilla.

Ure igne sancti spi-
ritus renes nostros,
& cor nostrum, Do-
mine: ut tibi casto
corpore serviamus,
& mundo corde pla-
ceamus.

Fidelium Deus
omnium Conditor &
Redemptor, anima-
bus famulorum fa-
mularumque tuarum
remissionem cuncto-

O God, from
whom are all holy
desires, righteous
counsels, and just
works, give to thy
servants that peace
which the world
cannot give, that
our hearts being dis-
posed to keep thy
commandments, and
the fear of enemies
taken away, the ti-
mes, thro' thy pro-
tection, may be
peaceable.

Inflame, O Lord,
our reins and hearts
with the fire of thy
holy spirit; that we
may serve thee with
a chaste body, and
please thee with a
clean Heart.

O God, the crea-
tor and redeemer of
all the faithful, give
to the souls of thy
servants departed the
remission of all their

rum tribue peccatorum: ut indulgentiam, quam semper optaverunt, piis supplicationibus consequantur.

Actiones nostras, quæsumus Domine, aspirando præveni; & adjuvando proseguere: ut cuncta nostra oratio & operatio à te semper incipiat, & per te cœpta finiatur.

Omnipotens sempiternæ Deus, qui vivorum dominaris simul & mortuorum, omniumque miseris, quos tuos fide & opere futuros esse prænoscis: te supplices exoramus; ut pro quibus effundere preces decrevimus,

sins; that thro' the help of pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon, which they have always been desirous of.

Prevent, we beseech thee O Lord, our actions by thy holy inspirations, and carry them on by thy gracious assistance, that all our prayers and works may always begin from thee, and by thee be happily ended.

O almighty eternal God, who hast dominion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all those, whom thou foreknowest shall be thine by faith and good works; we humbly beseech thee, that they for whom

quosque

quosque vel præsens
sæculum adhuc in
carne retinet, vel
futurum jam exutos
corpore suscepit,
intercedentibus om-
nibus sanctis tuis,
pietatis tuæ clemen-
tiâ, omnium delicto-
rum suorum veniam
consequantur. Per
Dominum nostrum.
&c.

V. Dominus vobis-
cum.

R. Et cum spiritu
tuo.

V. Exaudiat nos
omnipotens & mi-
sericors Dominus.

R. Amen.

V. Et Fidelium ani-
mæ per misericor-
diam Dei requief-
cant in pace.

R. Amen.

we purpose to offer
up our prayers,
whether this present
world still retains
them in the flesh, or
the next has received
them out of their
bodies, may by the
intercession of all thy
saints, and the cle-
mency of thy good-
ness, obtain pardon
and full remission of
all their sins. Thro'
our Lord.

V. Our Lord be
with you.

R. And with thy
spirit.

V. Hear us all-po-
werful and merci-
ful Lord.

R. Amen.

V. And may the
souls of the faith-
ful departed thro'
the mercy of God
rest in peace.

R. Amen.

The Hymn.

A Ve maris stel-
la,

Dei mater alma,

Atque semper virgo,

Felix coeli porta.

Sumens illud ave,

Gabrielis ore,

Funda nos in pace,

Mutans *Eve* nomen.

Solve vincla reis,

Profer lumen cæcis,

Mala nostra pelle,

Bona cuncta posce.

Monstra te esse ma-

trem,

Sumat per te preces,

B Right mother of
our maker, hail!

Thou virgin ever
bless'd!

The ocean's star, by
which we sail,

And gain the port of
rest.

Whilst we this *Ave*
thus to thee

From *Gabriel's* mouth
rehearse,

Prevail that peace
our lot may be,

And *Eve's* name re-
verse.

Release our long en-
tangled mind,

From all the snares
of ill;

With heav'nly light
instruct the blind,

And all our vows
fulfil.

Exert for us a mo-
ther's care,

And us thy children
own:

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Qui pro nobis natus,	Prevail with him to
Tulit esse tuus.	hear our pray'r,
Virgo singularis,	Who chose to be thy
Inter omnes mitis,	son.
Nos culpis solutos;	O spotless maid!
Mites fac & castos.	whose virtues shine
Vitam præsta puram,	With brightest pu-
Iter para tutum,	erity,
Ut videntes Jesum	Each action of our
Semper collætémur.	lives refine;
Sit laus Deo Patri,	And make us pure
Summo Christo de-	like thee.
cus,	Preserve our lives
Spiritu Sancto,	unstain'd with ill,
Tribus honor unus.	In this infectious
	way;
	That heav'n alone
	our souls may fill,
	With joys that ne'er
	decay,
	To God the father
	endless praise;
	To God the son the
	same;
	And holy ghost,
	whose equal rays
	One equal glory
	claim.

Amen

Antiphona.

The Anthem.

Sub tuum præsidium confugimus, sancta Dei genitrix, nostras deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris, sed à periculis cunctis libera nos, semper virgo gloriosa & benedicta.

WE fly to thy patronage, holy mother of God, despise not our prayers in our necessities, but obtain our deliverance from all dangers, O glorious and ever-blessed virgin.

The 129 Psalm.

DE profundis clamavi ad te Domine, Domine exaudi vocem meam. Fiant aures tuæ intendentes in vocem deprecationis meæ.

Si iniquitates observaveris Domine, Domine quis sustinebit?

Quia apud te propitiatio est, & prop-

From the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord, Lord hear my voice.

Let thy ears be intensitive to the voice of my prayer.

If thou shalt observe iniquities, O Lord, Lord who shall sustain it?

Because with thee is propitiation, and

ter legem tuam susti-
nui te Domine.

for thy law I have
expected thee, O
Lord.

Sustinnit anima
mea in verbo ejus,
speravit anima mea
in Domino.

My soul has ex-
pected in his word;
my soul has hoped
in our Lord.

A custodiâ matu-
tinâ usque ad noc-
tem speret Israel in
Domino.

From the mor-
ning watch even un-
til night let Israel
hope in our Lord.

Quia apud Domi-
num misericordia, &
copiosa apud eum
redemptio.

Because with our
Lord is mercy, and
with him plenteous
redemption.

Et ipse redimet
Israel ex omnibus
iniquitatibus ejus.

And he shall re-
deem Israel from all
his iniquities.

V. Requiem æter-
nam dona eis Domi-
ne.

V. Eternal rest
give to them, O
Lord.

R. Et lux perpe-
tua luceat eis.

R. And let perpe-
tual light shine on
them.

Oremus.

Let us pray.

Fidelium Deus
omnium condi-
tor & redemptor,
animabus famulo-
rum famularumque

O God, the crea-
tor and redee-
mer of all the faith-
ful, give to the souls
of thy servants de-

tuarum remissionem
 eunctorum tribue
 peccatorum : ut in-
 dulgentiam, quam
 semper optaverunt,
 piis supplicationibus
 consequantur : Qui
 vivis & regnas cum
 Deo Patre in unitate
 Spiritus sancti Deus
 per omnia secula
 seculorum. Amen.

Et fidelium animæ
 per misericordiam
 Dei requiescant in
 pace. Amen.

parted the remission
 of all their sins; that
 thro' the help of
 pious supplications
 they may obtain the
 pardon, which they
 have always been
 desirous of : Who
 livest & reignest with
 God the Father in
 the unity of the Holy
 Ghost world with-
 out end. Amen.

And may the souls
 of the faithful depar-
 ted thro' the mercy
 of God rest in peace.
 Amen.

THE LITANIES

Of our blessed Lady.

Kyrie eleison.
 Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.
 Christe audi nos.

Lord have mercy
 on us.
 Christ have mercy
 on us.
 Lord have mercy
 on us.
 Christ hear us.

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Christe exaudi nos.	Christ	graciously
	hear us.	
Pater de coelis Deus,	God the father of	
<i>miserere nobis.</i>	heaven, have, &c.	
Fili Redemptor mundi Deus,	God the Son redee-	
<i>miserere nobis.</i>	mer of the World,	
	have mercy on us.	
Spiritus sancte Deus,	God the holy Ghost,	
<i>miserere nobis.</i>	have mercy on us.	
Sancta Trinitas unus	Holy Trinity, one	
Deus,	God,	
<i>miserere nobis.</i>	have mercy on us	
Sancta Maria,	Holy Mary,	
<i>ora pro nobis.</i>	pray for us.	
Sancta Dei genitrix,	Holy mother of God,	
Sancta virgo virg-	Holy Virgin of Vir-	
inum,	gins,	
Mater Christi,	Mother of Christ,	
Mater divinæ gratiæ,	Mother of divine	
	grace,	
Mater purissima,	Mother most pu-	pray for us.
	re,	
Mater castissima,	Mother most chaf-	
	te,	
Mater inviolata,	Mother undefiled,	
Mater intemerata,	Mother untouched,	
Mater amabilis,	Amiable Mother,	
Mater admirabilis,	Admirable Mother,	
Mater Creatoris,	Mother of our Crea-	
	tor,	

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<i>Mater salvatoris, ora pro nobis.</i>	Mother of our redeemer, pray for us.
Virgo prudentissima,	Most prudent Virgin,
Virgo veneranda,	Venerable Virgin,
Virgo prædicanda,	Renowned Virgin,
Virgo potens,	Powerful Virgin,
Virgo clemens,	Merciful Virgin,
Virgo fidelis,	Faithful Virgin,
Speculum Justitiæ,	Mirror of Justice,
Sedes sapientiæ,	Seat of Wisdom,
Causa nostræ lætitiæ,	Cause of our joy,
Vas spirituale,	Spiritual vessel,
Vas honorabile,	Honorable vessel,
Vas insigne devotionis,	Noble vessel of Devotion,
Rosa mystica,	Mystical rose,
Turris Davidica,	Tower of David,
Turris eburnea,	Tower of Ivory,
Domus aurea,	House of Gold,
Fœderis arca,	Ark of the covenant,
Janua cœli,	Gate of Heaven,
Stella matutina,	Morning Star,
Salus infirmorum,	Health of the Sick,
Refugium peccatorum,	Refuge of sinners,
Consolatrix afflictorum,	Comfort of the afflicted;
Auxilium Christianorum,	Help of Christians,
Regina angelorum,	Queen of Angels,

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Regina patriarcharum, *ora pro nobis.* Queen of Patriarchs, pray for us.

Regina prophetarum, Queen of Prophets, pray for us.

Regina apostolorum, *ora pro nobis.* Queen of Apostles,

Regina martyrum, Queen of Martyrs,

Regina confessorum, Queen of confessors,

Regina virginum, Queen of Virgins,

Regina sanctorum omnium, Queen of all saints, pray for us.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, *parce nobis Domine.* spare us, O Lord.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, *exaudi nos Domine.* bear us, O Lord.

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, *miserere nobis.* have mercy on us.

Ant. Sub tuum præsidium confugimus, sancta Dei genitrix, nostras deprecationes ne desicias in necessitatibus nostris, sed à periculis cunctis li- *Ant.* We fly to thy patronage, holy Mother of God, despise not our prayers in our necessities, but obtain our deliverance from all dangers, O glorious and

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bera nos , semper ever-blessed virgin.
virgo gloriosa & benedicta.

V. Ora pro nobis
sancta Dei genitrix.

R. Ut digni efficiamur
promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Defende , quæsumus Domine, beatâ Mariâ semper virgine intercedente, istam ab omni adversitate familiam : & toto corde tibi prostratam , ab hostium propitius tuere clementer insidiis. Per Christum , &c.

R. Amen.

V. Dignare me laudare te , virgo sacrata.

R. Da mihi virtutem contra hostes tuos.

V. Pray for us
holy mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Defend, we beseech thee , O Lord, by the intercession of the blessed virgin *Mary* , this family from all adversity; and being prostrate before thee with all our hearts , mercifully protect us from the snares of our enemies. Thro' &c.

V. Vouchsafe me to praise thee , O sacred virgin.

R. Give me power against thy enemies.

A Completorio Sabbati sancti usque ad Nonam Sabbati post Pentecosten inclusive, Antiphona.

Regina cœli lætare alleluia,
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia,
Ÿ. Gaude & lætare virgo Maria, alleluia.
R. Quia surrexit Dominus verè, alleluia.

Oremus.

Deus, qui per resurrectionem Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu-Christi mundum lætificare dignatus es, præsta quæsumus; ut per ejus genitricem Virginem Mariam perpetuæ capiamus gaudia vitæ, per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.

R. Amen.

Ÿ. Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum.

R. Amen.

A primis Vesperis Festi SS. Trinitatis usque ad Nonam Sabbati ante Adventum, Antiphona.

Salve Regina, mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, & spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamamus exules, filii Hevæ: Ad te sus-

piramus gementes & flentes in hac lacry-
marum valle. Eja ergo advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos
converte: Et Jesum benedictum fructum
ventris tui nobis post hoc exilium of-
tende. O clemens, ô pia, ô dulcis virgo
Maria.

ÿ. Ora pro nobis sancta Dei genitrix.

℞. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus
Christi.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui
gloriosæ virginis matris Mariæ cor-
pus & animam, ut dignum Filii tui ha-
bitaculum effici mereretur, Spiritu sancto
cooperante præparasti: da, ut cujus com-
memoratione lætatur, ejus piâ interces-
sione ab instantibus malis, & à morte
perpetuâ liberemur. Per eundem Christum
Dominum nostrum.

℞. Amen.

ÿ. Divinum auxilium maneat semper
nobiscum.

℞. Amen.



When the bell tolls for Angelus, say as follows.

Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariæ, & concepit de Spiritu Sancto.

Ave Maria, &c.

Ecce ancilla Domini, fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum.

Ave Maria, &c.

Et Verbum Caro factum est, & habitavit in nobis.

Ave Maria, &c.

ORATIO.

Gratiam tuam, quæsumus Domine, mentibus nostris infunde: ut qui Angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui Incarnationem cognovimus, per Passionem ejus & crucem, ad Resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum. Amen.



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gratiarum actionem dici solitus.*

TE Deum laudamus : te Dominum
confitemur.

Te æternum Patrem omnis terra ve-
neratur.

Tibi omnes Angeli : tibi cœli & uni-
versæ potestates :

Tibi Cherubim & Seraphim inces-
sabili voce proclamant.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus : Dominus
Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt cœli & terra Majestatis
gloriæ tuæ.

Te gloriosus Apostolorum chorus,

Te Prophetarum laudabilis numerus,

Te Martyrum candidatus laudat exer-
citus,

Te per orbem terrarum sancta confi-
tetur Ecclesia

Patrem immensæ Majestatis :

Venerandum tuum verum, & unicum
Filium

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Tu Rex gloriæ Christe.

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Tu Patris sempiternus es Filius.

Tu ad liberandum suscepturus hominem non horruisti Virginis uterum.

Tu devicto mortis aculeo aperuisti credentibus regna cœlorum.

Tu ad dexteram Dei sedes in gloria Patris.

Judex crederis esse venturus.

Te ergo quæsumus, tuis famulis subveni: quos pretioso Sanguine redemisti:

Æternâ fac cum sanctis tuis in gloriâ numerari.

Salvum fac populum tuum, Domine: & benedic hæreditati tuæ.

Et rege eos; & extolle illos usque in æternum.

Per singulos dies benedicimus te.

Et laudamus nomen tuum in sæculum, & in sæculum sæculi.

Dignare Domine die isto sine peccato nos custodire.

Miserere nostri, Domine, miserere nostri.

Fiat misericordia tua Domine super nos, quemadmodum speravimus in te.

In te, Domine, speravi: non confundar in æternum.

γ. Benedicamus Patrem & Filium, cum sancto Spiritu.

℞. Laudemus, & superexaltemus eum in sæcula.

Oremus.

Oremus.

DEus cujus misericordiæ non est numerus & bonitatis infinitus est thesaurus : piissimæ Majestati tuæ pro collatis donis gratias agimus tuam semper clementiam exorantes : ut qui petentibus postulata concedis, eosdem non deferens ad præmia futura disponas. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum. Amen.

Oratio ad SS. Sacramentum.

OSacrum convivium in quo Christus sumitur, recolitur memoria Passionis eius, mens impletur gratiâ, & futuræ gloriæ nobis pignus datur.

†. Panem de cœlo præstitisti eis.

℣. Omne delectamentum in se habentem.

Oremus.

DEus qui nobis sub sacramento mirabili passionis tuæ memoriam reliquisti; tribue, quæsumus, ita nos corporis & sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari, ut redemptionis tuæ fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus. Qui vivis & regnas cum Deo, &c.

L

Psalmus 50.

Miserere mei Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum, dele iniquitatem meam.

Amplius lava me ab iniquitate meâ : & à peccato meo munda me.

Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco : & peccatum meum contra me est semper.

Tibi soli peccavi, & malum coram te feci : ut justificeris in sermonibus tuis, & vincas cum judicaris.

Ecce enim in iniquitatibus conceptus sum : & in peccatis concepit me mater mea.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti : incerta & occulta sapientiæ tuæ manifestasti mihi.

Asperges me hyssopo, & mundabor : lavabis me, & super nivem dealbabor.

Auditui meo dabis gaudium & lætitiā : & exultabunt ossa humiliata.

Averte faciem tuam à peccatis meis : & omnes iniquitates meas dele.

Cor mundum crea in me Deus : & spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis.

Ne projicias me à facie tua : & spiritum sanctum tuum ne auferas à me.

Redde mihi lætitiā salutaris tui : & spiritu principali confirma me.

Docebo iniquos vias tuas : & impii ad te convertentur.

Libera me de sanguinibus Deus, Deus salutis meæ : & exultabit lingua mea iustitiā tuam.

Domine labia mea aperies : & os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam.

Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium, dedissem utique : holocaustis non delectaberis.

Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus : cor contritum, & humiliatum Deus non despicias.

Benignè fac Domine in bona voluntate tua Sion : ut ædificentur muri Jerusalem.

Tunc acceptabis sacrificium iustitiæ, oblationes, & holocausta : tunc imponent super altare tuum vitulos.

Ÿ. Gloria Patri & Filio & Spiritui sancto.

℟. Sicut erat in principio & nunc & semper & in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Ÿ. Fiat misericordia tua Domine super nos.

℟. Quemadmodum speravimus in te.

Oremus.

Deus refugium nostrum & virtus :
adesto piis Ecclesiæ tuæ precibus

auctor ipse pietatis & præsta, ut quod fideliter petimus efficaciter consequamur. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum, qui tecum vivit & regnat in unitate Spiritûs sancti Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum. Amen.

Prayers said after the Miserere during Holy Week.

1st. Night. *ÿ.* Christus factus est pro nobis obediens.

R. Usque ad mortem.

2d. Night. *ÿ.* Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem.

R. Mortem autem Crucis.

3d. Night. *ÿ.* Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem, mortem autem Crucis.

R. Propter quod & Deus exaltavit illum, & dedit illi nomen quod est super omne nomen.

Pater noster, secreto.

R Espice quæsumus Domine super hanc Familiam tuam, pro quâ Dominus noster Jesus Christus non dubitavit manibus tradi nocentium & Crucis subire tormentum, *secreto.* Qui tecum vivit, &c.

THE SEVEN PENITENTIAL

P S A L M S.

Antiph. Remember not, O Lord, our offences, nor those of our parents, neither take thou vengeance of our sins.

I. P S A L M vj.

Lord, rebuke me not in thy fury,
nor chastise me in thy wrath.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, because
I am weak; heal me, O Lord, because
my bones are disordered.

And my soul is troubled greatly; but
thou, O Lord, how long?

Turn, O Lord, and deliver my soul,
save me for thy mercy's sake.

Because there is none in death, that
remembers thee; and who shall confess
thee in hell?

I have been weary with my groaning,
every night I will wash my bed; I will
water my couch with tears.

My eye is troubled with fury; I am
grown old among all my enemies.

Depart from me all ye, that work ini-

quity; because the Lord has heard the voice of my weeping.

The Lord has heard my supplication, the Lord has received my prayer.

Let all my enemies blush, and be troubled exceedingly, let them be turned back, and ashamed very speedily.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end.
Amen.

II. PSALM xxxj.

Blessed are they, whose iniquities are forgiven; and whose sins are covered.

Blessed is the man, to whom the Lord has not imputed sin; and in whose mind there is no deceit.

Because I have been silent, my bones are grown old; whilst I cried out all the day.

Because day and night thy hand is heavy upon me; I am converted in my anguish, whilst the thorn is fastened in me.

I have made my crime known to thee; and have not hidden my injustice.

I have said, I will confess my injustice to the Lord against myself; and thou hast forgiven the impiety of my sin.

For this reason every holy one shall pray to thee, in a seasonable time.

However, in the deluge of many waters they shall not approach to him.

Thou art my refuge from the affliction which has surrounded me; my joy, deliver me from them, that encompass me.

I will give thee understanding, and will instruct thee in the way thou shalt go; I will fix my eyes upon thee.

Do not become as the horse and mule, which have no understanding.

With the bit and bridle bind fast the jaws of them, who do not approach to thee.

Many are the scourges of a sinner, but mercy shall encompass him, that hopes in the Lord.

Rejoice in the Lord, and be glad, ye just; and glory all ye right of heart.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

III. PSALM xxxvij.

Lord, rebuke me not in thy fury, nor chastise me in thy wrath.

Because thy arrows are fixed in me, and thou hast laid thy hand heavy upon me.

There is no health in my flesh in the

presence of thy anger; there is no peace for my bones, at the sight of my sins.

Because my iniquities are risen above my head; and as a weighty burthen are heavy upon me.

My scars are putrified and corrupted, by reason of my folly.

I am become miserable, and bent quite down; I walked sorrowfully all the day.

Because my loins are filled with illusions; and there is no health in my flesh.

I am afflicted and humbled exceedingly: I roared out with the groaning of my heart.

All my desire is before thee, O Lord, and my groaning is not hidden from thee.

My heart is troubled, my strength has left me; and the very sight of my eyes is not with me.

My friends and my neighbours approached, and stood against me.

And they that were near me, stood at a distance; and they that sought my life, used violence.

And they that sought to do me mischief, spoke falsehood; and studied deceits all the day.

But I as a deaf man did not hear: and was like a dumb man, that opens not his mouth.

And I became as a man, that does not hear, & has no reproofs in his mouth.

Because I have hoped in thee, O Lord; thou wilt hear me, O Lord, my God.

For I said, let not my enemies rejoice over me at any time; and whilst my feet slipped, they spoke haughtily against me.

Because I am prepared for scourges, and my sorrow is continually in my sight.

Because I will declare my iniquity, and will think upon my sin.

But my enemies live, and are strengthened above me; and they are multiplied, that hate me unjustly.

They that return evil for good, slandered me; because I followed goodness.

For sake me not, O Lord, my God; depart not from me.

Attend to my help, O Lord, the God of my salvation.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

IV. PSALM L.

HAve mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy.

And according to the multitude of thy commiserations, blot out my iniquity.

Wash me still more from my iniquity; and cleanse me from my sin.

Because I acknowledge my iniquity,
and my sin is always before me:

Against thee alone I have sinned, and
before thee I have done evil: that
thou mayest be justified in thy words,
and mayest overcome, when thou art
judged.

For behold I was conceived in iniquity;
and my mother brought me forth in sin.

For behold thou hast loved truth; and
hast discovered to me the dark and hid-
den things of thy wisdom.

Thou wilt sprinkle me with hyssop,
and I shall be cleansed; thou wilt wash
me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.

Thou wilt give joy and gladness to my
hearing; and the bones which are hum-
bled shall rejoice.

Turn away thy face from my sins;
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create a clean heart in me, O God;
and renew an upright spirit within my
bowels.

Cast me not away from thy face;
nor withdraw thy holy spirit from me,

Restore to me the joy of thy salva-
tion; and strengthen me with a sove-
reign spirit.

I will teach thy ways to the unjust;
and the impious shall be converted to thee.

Deliver me from blood, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall extol thy justice.

O Lord, thou wilt open my lips; & my mouth shall declare thy praise.

For if thou hadst desired sacrifice, indeed I should have given it; with holocaust thou wilt not be delighted.

An afflicted mind is a sacrifice to God; a contrite and humble heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

Be gracious, O Lord, in thy good will to Sion, that the walls of Jerusalem may be built.

Then thou wilt accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations, and holocausts; then shall they lay calves upon thy altar.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

V. P S A L M c j.

Lord, hear my prayer; and let my cry come to thee.

Turn not away thy face from me; in what day soever I am in affliction, incline thy ear to me.

In what day soever I shall invoke thee, hear me speedily.

Because my days are vanished as smoke; and my bones are withered like dry brush wood.

I am blasted like the grass, and my heart is dried; because I have forgotten to eat my bread.

By the noise of my groaning, my bones have cleaved to my flesh.

I am become like a pelican of the desert: I am become as a nightcrow in the house.

I have watched, and am become as a solitary sparrow upon a house top.

My enemies upbraided me all the day; and those who had praised me swore against me.

For I did eat ashes as bread, and mingled my drink with tears.

By reason of thy wrath and indignation; for having elevated me, thou hast dashed me on the ground.

My days have passed away like a shadow, and I am withered as grass.

But thou, O Lord, remainest for ever, and the memory of thee shall be from generation to generation.

Thou wilt arise, and take pity on Sion! because it is the time to take pity on it, for the time is come.

Because the stones of it have pleased thy servant; and they will take pity on the ground of it.

And the nations shall fear thy name.

O Lord ; and all the kings of the earth thy glory.

For the Lord has built Sion ; and he shall be seen in his glory.

He has had regard to the petition of the humble , and has not despised their prayer.

Let these things be written for another generation ; and the people that shall be created , shall praise the Lord.

Because the Lord has looked down from his high sanctuary ; the Lord from Heaven has viewed the earth.

That he might hear the groans of the fettered ; and that he might release the children of the slain.

That they may declare the name of the Lord in Sion ; and his praise in Jerusalem.

When the people and kings assembled together , that they may praise the Lord.

He answered him in the course of his strength ; shew me the fewness of my days.

Call me not back in the midst of my days ; thy years are from generation to generation.

In the beginning , O Lord , thou didst lay the foundation of the earth ; and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

They shall perish , but thou remainest :

and all things shall grow old, like a garment.

And thou wilt change them as a covering, and they shall be changed! but thou art the very same, and thy years shall not fail.

And the children of thy servants shall inhabit; and their offspring shall be directed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

V. I. PSALM: CXXIX, see page 148.

V. II. PSALM cxliij.

O Lord, hear my prayer; give ear to my supplication, according to thy truth; hear me according to thy justice.

And enter not into judgment with thy servant; for no one living shall be found just in thy sight.

For the enemy has persecuted my soul; he has humbled my life to the ground.

He has put me in dark places, like those that died long ago: and my mind is uneasy for myself, my heart is troubled within me.

I have remembered the days of old; I meditated upon all thy works; on the deeds of thy hands did I meditate.

I stretched out my hands towards thee ;
my soul is to thee as earth without water.

Hear me speedily , O Lord ; my spirit
has fainted.

Turn not away thy face from me ; for
if thou dost , I shall be like them that
descend into the lake.

Make me hear thy mercy in the morn-
ing , because I have hoped in thee.

Make the way known to me , wherein
I am to walk ; because I have lifted up
my soul to thee.

Deliver me , O Lord , from my ene-
mies , to thee I have fled ; teach me to
do thy will , because thou art my God.

Thy good spirit will conduct me into
the right land ; for the sake of thy name , O
Lord , thou wilt enliven me in thy equity.

Thou wilt bring my soul out of tri-
bulation ; and in thy mercy thou wilt
destroy my enemies.

And thou wilt destroy all those that
afflict my soul , because I am thy servant.

Glory be to the Father , &c.

Antiphona. Remember not , O Lord ,
&c.



THE LITANY

Of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lord, have mercy on us.
 Christ, have mercy on us.
 Lord, have mercy on us.
 Christ, hear us.
 Christ, graciously hear us.
 God the Father of heaven, have mercy
 on us.
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
 have mercy on us.
 God, the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,
 Jesus, Son of the living God,
 Jesus, Splendor of the Father,
 Jesus, brightness of eternal light,
 Jesus, King of glory,
 Jesus, the Son of justice,
 Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary,
 Jesus, whose Name is called Wonder-
 ful,
 Jesus, the mighty God,
 Jesus, the Father of the world to come,
 Jesus, the Angel of the great council,
 Jesus, most powerful,
 Jesus, most patient,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus,

Jesus, most obedient, have mercy on us.
Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
Jesus, lover of chastity,
Jesus, our love,
Jesus, the God of peace,
Jesus, the author of life,
Jesus, the example of all virtues,
Jesus, the zealous lover of souls;
Jesus, our God,
Jesus, the Father of the poor,
Jesus, the treasure of the faithful,
Jesus, the good shepherd,
Jesus, the true light,
Jesus, the eternal wisdom,
Jesus, infinite goodness,
Jesus, the way, the truth, and the
life,
Jesus, the joy of Angels,
Jesus, the King of Patriarchs,
Jesus, the inspirer of Prophets,
Jesus, the master of the Apostles,
Jesus, the teacher of the Evangelists,
Jesus, the strength of Martyrs,
Jesus, the light of Confessors,
Jesus, the spouse of virgins,
Jesus, the crown of all saints,
Be merciful unto us, spare us, O Lord
Jesus.
Be merciful unto us, hear us, O Lord
Jesus,

Have mercy on us.

From all evil, *Lord Jesus deliver us.*
 From all sin,
 From thy wrath,
 From the snares of the Devil,
 From the spirit of uncleanness,
 From everlasting death,
 From the neglect of thy holy inspirations,
 Through the mystery of thy most holy
 incarnation,
 Through thy nativity,
 Through thy divine infancy,
 Through thy sacred life,
 Through thy labours and travels,
 Through thy agony and bloody sweat,
 Through thy cross and passion,
 Through thy pains and torments,
 Through thy death and burial,
 Through thy glorious resurrection,
 Through thy admirable ascension,
 Through thy joys and glory,
 In the day of judgment,

Lamb of God, who takest away the
 sins of the world, *spare us, O Lord Jesus.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the
 sins of the world, *hear us, O Lord Jesus.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the
 sins of the world, *have mercy on us, O
 Lord Jesus.*

Christ Jesus, hear us.

Christ Jesus, graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast said Ask, & you shall receive, seek, and you shall find, knock, and it shall be opened unto you; grant, we beseech thee, to our most humble supplications; the gift of thy divine love, that we may ever love thee with our whole hearts, and never cease from praising and glorifying thy name.

O Divine Redeemer, give us a perpetual fear and love of thy holy name, for thou never ceasest to direct and govern by thy grace those whom thou instructest in the solidity of thy love, who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

O God, who hast appointed thy only begotten Son the Saviour of mankind, and hast commanded that he should be called Jesus; mercifully grant that we may enjoy his happy vision in heaven, whose holy name we venerate upon earth: Thro' the same Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. *Amen.*

V E S P E R S

F O R

S U N D A Y S.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

V. Attend to my Aid, O God.

R. O Lord make haste to help me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c.

R. As it was in the beginning, &c.
Alleluiah.

Antbem. The Lord said, *Psalm.* cxix.

THe Lord said to my Lord sit thou
at my right hand.

Till I make thy enemies thy footstool.

The Lord will send the sceptre of thy
power from Sion : rule thou in the midst
of thy enemies.

The principality is with thee in the day
of thy strength, amidst the splendors of
the saints ; I have begotten thee from the
womb before the morning star.

The Lord has sworn and he will not
repent it : thou art a priest for ever,
according to the order of Melchisedeck.

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The Lord on thy right hand, has destroyed kings in the day of his anger.

He shall judge in the nations, he shall accomplish the ruins, he shall crush the heads of many in the land.

He shall drink of the torrent in the way : Therefore he shall exalt his head.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Antb. The Lord said to my Lord, sit thou at my right hand.

Antb. Faithful.

Psalm cx. Confitebor tibi.

I Will confess thee, O Lord, with all my heart, in the council and the congregation of the just.

The works of the Lord are great; exquisite according to all his designs.

His work deserves praise and magnificence; and his justice remains for ever.

He has renewed the memory of his wonders, the Lord is merciful and compassionate, he has given food to them that fear him.

He will remember his covenant for ever: he will make known to his people the power of his work.

That he may give them the inheritance of the Gentiles : the works of his hands are truth and judgment.

All his commandments are faithful, confirmed for ever, being made in truth and equity.

He has sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever.

His name is holy and terrible; the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Every one that does this has a right understanding; his praise remains for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Antb. All his commandments are faithful, confirmed for ever.

Antb. In his commandments.

Psalm cxj. Beatus vir.

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord: in his commandments he shall take great delight.

His posterity shall be powerful on earth; the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.

Glory and riches shall be in his house, and his justice shall remain for ever.

A light is risen up in the darkness for the righteous; he is merciful, compassionate and just.

A man that takes pity and lends, is agreeable: he shall dispose his words with judgment; for he shall never be moved.

The just man shall be in eternal remembrance; he shall not fear when he hears evils.

His heart is prepared to hope in the Lord, his heart is confirmed: he shall not be moved whilst he looks down upon his enemies.

He distributed, he gave to the poor, his justice remains for ever; his power shall be exalted in glory.

The sinner shall see, and be angry, he shall gnash his teeth, and pine away: the desire of sinners shall perish.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Anth. In his commandments he shall take great delight.

Anth. May the name of the Lord, &c.

Psalm cxij. Laudate pueri.

C Hildren praise the Lord: praise ye the name of the Lord.

May the name of the Lord be blessed, from henceforth and for ever.

From the rising of the sun unto its setting, the name of the Lord is worthy of praise.

The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory is above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord our God, who dwells on high, and looks down upon the humble in heaven and on earth.

Who raises up the needy from the earth, and lifts up the poor from the dung-hill.

That he may place him with the princes, with the princes of his people.

Who makes a barren woman dwelling in a house become a joyful mother of children.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Anth. May the name of the Lord be blessed for ever.

Anth. We who live.

Psalm cxij. In exitu Israel.

When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a barbarous people.

Judea became his sanctification, and Israel his dominion.

The sea saw and fled; Jordan was turned backward.

The mountains leaped like rams, and the hills like lambs of sheep.

What ailed thee, O sea, that thou didst flee: and thou, O Jordan, that thou wast turned backward?

Ye mountains, that ye leaped like rams, and ye hills like the lambs of sheep?

At the presence of the Lord, the earth was moved; at the presence of the God of Jacob.

Who changes the rocks into pools of water ; and the stony hills into fountains.

Not to us , O Lord , not to us ; but to thy name give glory.

According to thy mercy , and thy truth ; lest at any time the Gentiles should say : Where is their God ?

But our God is in heaven ; who has done all things whatsoever he would.

The idols of the Gentiles are silver and gold ; the work of men's hands.

They have mouths , & do not speak ; they have eyes , and do not see.

They have ears , and do not hear ; they have nostrils , and do not smell.

They have hands , and do not feel ; they have feet , and do not walk ; neither shall they cry through their throats.

Let those that make them become like them , and all that trust in them.

The house of Israel has hoped in the Lord ; he is their helper and their protector.

The house of Aaron has hoped in the Lord ; he is their helper and their protector.

They who fear the Lord have hoped in the Lord ; he is their helper and their protector.

The Lord has been mindful of us,
and has blessed us.

He has blessed the house of Israel, he
has blessed the house of Aaron.

He has blessed all that fear the Lord,
the little and the great.

May the Lord increase his blessings
upon you; upon you, and upon your
children.

May you be blessed by the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

The heaven of heavens is the Lord's;
but he has given the earth to the chil-
dren of men.

The dead shall not praise thee, O Lord;
nor all those that descend into hell.

But we that live bless the Lord, from
this time and for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Anth. We that live bless the Lord.

The little Chapter. 2 Cor. 1. 3.

Blessed be God and the Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mer-
cies, and the God of all consolations,
who comforts us in all our tribulation.

R. Thanks be to God.

The Hymn; Lucis Creator optime.

Blest Maker of the light, who said:
Let there be light; & it was made:

And with the new light's lovely ray,
Adorn'd the world on its birth-day.

Who gave the name of day to light.
And who the darkness named night.

Grim night O Lord creeps on apace;
Grant to our pray'rs thy helping grace

Left by the weight of sin press'd down
We lose an everlasting crown,

Heaven forget, add sin to sin,
And love the mire we wallow in.

Let us storm heaven with our pray'rs
Gain life and happiness with tears,

Repent, do penance, all ill flee,
And mortal sin hate mortally.

Grant, as we pray, it so be done,
Merciful Father, equal Son,

Who with the holy Paraclete,
Live and reign ages infinite. Amen.

V. May my prayers, O Lord; be di-
rected.

R. As incense in thy sight.

Antb. This man went home.

The Magnificat. Luke 1, 46.

MY soul magnifies the Lord.
And my spirit hath rejoiced in
God my Saviour.

Because he has regarded the humility
of his handmaid: for behold from hence-
forth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him, from generation to generation.

He has shewn might in his arm; he has dispersed the proud in the conceit of their hearts.

He has deposed the powerful from their throne, and has exalted the humble.

He has filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has received Israel his servant, being mindful of his mercy.

As he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Anth. This man went home justified rather than the other; for every one that exalts himself shall be humbled; and he that humbles himself shall be exalted.

Let us pray.

Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, upon this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands of sinners, and to undergo the torment of the cross; who lives and reigns with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A Commemoration of the B. V. Mary.

Antb. O holy Mary, succour the miserable, help the dejected, comfort the afflicted, pray for the people, intercede for the clergy, supplicate for the devout female sex: let all be sensible of thy help, who celebrate thy holy memory.

V. Pray for us, O holy mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

GRant, we beseech thee, O Lord God, that we thy servants may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body; and by the glorious intercession of the ever blessed Virgin Mary may be delivered from present sorrow, and possess eternal joys. Through our Lord.

Of SS. Peter and Paul.

Antb. The Apostles Peter, & Paul the doctor of the Gentiles, taught us thy law, O Lord.

V. Thou wilt establish them rulers over all the earth.

R. They shall remember thy name, O Lord.

Let us pray.

O God, whose right hand raised up St. Peter walking upon the waves, that he might not be drowned, and delivered his co-apostle from the depth of the sea thrice shipwreckt; mercifully hear us, and grant by their merits we may obtain eternal glory.

Of St. George.

Amb. He that will come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.

V. The just shall flourish as a palm tree.

R. And be multiplied as a cedar of Liban.

Let us pray.

O God, who dost rejoice us by the merits and intercession of blessed George thy martyr; mercifully grant, that we may obtain, by the gift of thy grace, the benefits which we beg by him.

For Peace.

Anth. Give peace, O Lord, in our days; for there is no other to fight for us, but thou our God.

V. Let peace be made in thy strength.

R. And plenty in thy towers.

Let us Pray.

O God, from whom are all holy desires, right counsels, and just works; give to thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts being addicted to thy commandments, and the fear of enemies taken away, the times by thy protection may be peaceable. Thro' our Lord, &c.

Amen.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful thro' the mercy of God rest in peace.

R. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c.

V. May our Lord give us his peace.

R. And eternal life. *Amen.*



THE COMPLIN.

Reader. Pray, Father, give me your blessing.

The blessing. May the Almighty Lord grant us a quiet night, and happy end.

Amen.

The short Lesson, 1. Peter v. 8.

Brethren, be ye sober and watch; for your adversary the devil goes about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour; being strong in faith, do ye resist him. And thou, O Lord, have mercy on us.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. Our help is in the name of our Lord.

R. Who made heaven and earth, Our Father, &c. I confess, &c.

May the almighty God have mercy on us and forgiving our sins may he bring us to eternal life. *R. Amen.*

May our almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, and full remission of our sins. *R. Amen.*

V. Convert us, O God, our Saviour.

R. And turn away thy anger from us.

V. Attend

V. Attend to my aid O God.

R. O Lord make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Antb. Have mercy.

Psalm iv. Cum invocarem.

THe God of my justice heard me,
when I called to him; being in
distress thou hast enlarged me.

Have mercy on me, and hear my
prayer.

Sons of men, how long are ye of
heavy heart: why do ye love vanity and
seek falsehood?

And know ye, that the Lord has made
his holy one wonderful: the Lord will
hear me when I cry to him.

Be ye angry, and do not sin; what ye
say in your hearts, be sorry for in
your beds.

Offer ye the sacrifice of justice, and
hope in the Lord: many say, who shews
us good things?

The light of thy countenance, O Lord,
is marked upon us, thou hast infused
Joy into my heart.

By the fruit of their corn, their wine
and oil, they are multiplied.

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At the same time in peace I will sleep;
and will rest.

Because thou, O Lord, hast established
me in hope in a singular manner.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Psalm xxx. In te Domine.

I Have hoped in thee, O Lord, never
let me be confounded; in thy justice
deliver me.

Incline thy ear to me, make haste to
rescue me.

Be thou my God and protector; and
a house of refuge, that thou mayst save me.

Because thou art my strength and my
refuge; and for thy name thou wilt con-
duct me; and wilt nourish me.

Thou wilt bring me out of the snare,
which they had hidden for me; because
thou art my protector.

Into thy hands I commend my spirit;
thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God
of truth.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Psalm xc. Qui habitat.

HE that dwells in the help of the
most High, shall abide under the
protection of the God of heaven.

He shall say to the Lord, thou art my defender and my refuge; he is my God, in him I will hope.

For he has delivered me from the snares of the hunters, and from the sharp word.

He will shelter thee with his shoulders, and under his wings thou shalt hope.

His truth shall encompass thee as a shield; thou shalt not be afraid of fear by night.

Of the arrow that flies in the day, of mischief that rambles in the dark, of invasion, and the noon-day devil.

A thousand shall fall by thy side, & ten thousand on thy right hand; but no hurt shall come to thee.

But thou shalt consider with thy eyes, and shall see the reward of sinners.

Because thou, O Lord, art my hope; thou hast made the most High thy refuge.

The evil shall not come to thee; and the scourge shall not approach thy tent.

For he has given his angels charge of thee; that they should keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee in their hands; lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt walk upon the asp and ba-

filisk; and thou shalt tread upon the lion and the dragon.

Because he has hoped in me I will deliver him; I will protect him because he has known my name.

He shall cry to me, and I will hear him; I am with him in tribulation; I will deliver him, and glorify him.

I will fill him with length of days, and will shew him my salvation.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Psalms cxxxiiij. Ecce nunc.

BEhold now bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord.

Ye who stand in the house of the Lord; in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands in the night towards the holy places, and bless ye the Lord.

May the Lord bless thee from Sion, he who made heaven and earth.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Anth. Have mercy on me, O Lord, and hear my prayer.

The Hymn. Te lucis ante.

TO thee before the close of day,
Creator of all things, we pray,
That for thy wonted clemency,
Thou mayst our guide and ruler be.

Let no vain dreams disturb our sleep,
And nightly phantoms from us keep,
Our foe suppress, that we may be
In body from pollution free.

In this, most gracious Father, hear,
With Christ, thy equal Son, our pray'r,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
Resides and reigns eternally. *Amen.*

The little Chapter. Jer. xiv.

BUt thou art among us, O Lord;
and thy holy name is invoked upon
us; forsake us not, O Lord our God.

V. Thanks be to God.

R. Into thy hands, O Lord, I com-
mend my spirit. Into thy, &c.

V. Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord
God of truth. I commend my spirit.

R. Glory be to, &c.

V. Into thy hands, &c.

R. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of
thy eye.

V. Protect us under the shadow of thy
wings.

Antb. Save us.

The Song of Simeon. Luke i.

NOw dost thou dismiss thy servant,
O Lord, in peace, according to
thy word.

Because my eyes have seen thy salvation ;

Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.

A light to illuminate the Gentiles , & for the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father , &c.

Anth. Save us , O Lord , whilst we wake , and keep us whilst we sleep ; that we may watch with Christ , and rest in peace.

V. Lord have mercy on us.

R. Christ have mercy on us.

V. Lord have mercy on us.

R. Our Father , &c.

V. And lead us not into temptation.

R. But deliver us from evil. I believe in God , &c.

V. The resurrection of the body.

R. And life everlasting. *Amen.*

V. Blessed art thou , O Lord God of our Fathers.

R. And praise worthy , and glorious for ever.

V. Let us bless the Father , and the Son , with the Holy Ghost.

R. Let us praise and magnify him for ever.

V. Thou art blessed , O Lord , in the firmament of heaven.

R. And praise-worthy , and glorious ,
and magnified for ever.

V. May the Almighty and merciful
Lord bless and keep us.

R. *Amen.*

V. Vouchsafe , O Lord ; this night.

R. To keep us without sin.

V. Have mercy on us , O Lord.

R. Have mercy on us.

V. Let thy mercy be upon us , O Lord.

R. As we have hoped in thee.

V. O Lord hear my prayers.

R. And let my cry come to thee.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Visit, we beseech thee , O Lord,
this habitation , & drive far from it
all the snares of the enemy ; let thy holy
angels dwell in it , that they may keep
us in peace ; and may thy blessing be
upon us. Thro' our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

The blessing , May the almighty and
merciful Lord , Father , Son , and Holy
Ghost , bless , and keep us. R. *Amen.*

Hail , holy Queen , O mercy's
parent , hail ,

Life , hope , and comfort of this
earthly vale ,

To thee , Eve's banish'd children raise
their cry-

In sighs and tears to thee we suppliants
fly.

Rise glorious Advocate , exert thy love.
And let our vows those eyes of pity
move.

This exile past , O clement maid obtain.
That we may Jesus see , and with him
reign.

V. Pray for us , O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of
the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Almighty eternal God , who didst
prepare the soul & body of the
glorious Virgin Mother Mary , by the
co-operation of the Holy Ghost , that
she might be a worthy habitation for thy
Son ; grant that we , who rejoice in her
commemoration , may , by her pious
intercession , be delivered from present

evils, and from eternal death. Through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

V. May the divine assistance always remain with us.

R. Amen.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

I believe in God, &c.

The prayer of St. Bernard Memorare.

Remember, O most holy Virgin Mary, that no one ever had recourse to your protection, implored your help, or sought your mediation without obtaining relief: Confiding therefore in your goodness, behold me a miserable sinner before you groaning under my sins; beseeching you to adopt me for your son, and take upon you the care of my eternal salvation.

Despise not, O Mother of Jesus, the petition of your humble client, but hear and grant my Prayer.



P R A Y E R S

For a happy death.

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
R. *Amen.*

O Pen, O Lord, our Mouths, to bless thy holy Name, cleanse our Hearts from all vain and distracting Thoughts, enlighten our Understanding, inflame our Will, that we may worthily perform this holy Exercise with Attention and Devotion, and may deserve to be heard in the Presence of thy Divine Majesty, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest one God, World without End.

R. *Amen.*

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, *pray for us.*

All ye holy Angels and Archangels,

St. Abel,

All ye Choirs of just Souls,

St. Abraham,

St. John Baptist,

pray for us.

All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets, pray
ye for us.

St. Peter,

St. Paul,

St. Andrew,

St. John,

All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists,

All ye holy Disciples of our Lord,

All ye holy Innocents,

St. Stephen,

St. Laurence,

All ye holy Martyrs,

St. Silvester,

St. Gregory,

St. Augustin,

All ye holy Bishops and Confessors,

St Benedict,

St. Francis,

All ye holy Monks and Hermits,

St. Mary Magdalen,

St. Lucy,

All ye holy Virgins and Widows,

All ye Saints of God, make intercession
for us.

Be merciful unto us, Spare us, O Lord.

Be merciful unto us, Hear us, O Lord.

Be merciful unto us, O Lord, deliver us.

From thy Anger, O Lord, deliver us.

From the danger of Death, O Lord,
deliver us.

pray for us.

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From an unfortunate Death, O Lord,
deliver us.

From the Pains of Hell,
From all Evil,
From the Power of the Devil,
By thy Nativity,
By thy Cross and Passion,
By thy Death and Burial,
By thy glorious Resurrection,
By thy admirable Ascension,
By the Grace of the Holy Ghost
the Comforter,

O Lord, deliver us.

In the Day of Judgment,
We Sinners, *We beseech thee to hear us.*
That thou wilt spare us, *We beseech thee*
to hear us.

Lord, have Mercy on us.

Christ, have Mercy on us.

Lord, have Mercy on us.

Let us pray.

May thy Clemency vouchsafe, O
God, so to confirm thy Servants
in thy holy Grace, that at the Hour of
their Death, the Enemy may not prevail
against them, but that with thy Angels
they may deserve to pass into Life ever-
lasting, through our Lord Jesus-Christ.
Rs. Amen.

OMnipotent and most merciful Creator, who to refresh thy thirsty People in the Desert, commandedst Streams of Water from the hardest Rocks, draw, we beseech thee from our dry Eyes, and stony Hearts, copious Tears of perfect Compunction, that we may utterly detest all Sin, and only thirst after the happy and glorious Vision of thee our God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, *Amen.*

An Act of Contrition.

MY dear Lord Jesus-Christ, Redeemer of the World! Behold prostrate at thy Feet the most unhappy, and most ungrateful Creature on the Face of the Earth. My God! I have offended thee most grievously in Thought, Word and Deed. My heinous Crimes fixed thee to the bloody Cross. To rescue me from eternal Damnation, thou agonizedst three Hours on Mount Calvary. But Oh! How much am I displeased with my self! How I grieve for having offended thee, a God of infinite Goodness, of infinite Charity! I stand astonished and confounded at thy incomprehensible Patience, in supporting the most provok-

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ing Wretch, that breathes. From the very Bottom of my Heart I detest all my Sins; and because I love thee, and will love thee above all things created, I stedfastly purpose, by thy holy Grace, never to offend thee more, to die a thousand Deaths, rather than commit one mortal Sin. *Amen.*

The Stations of the Sacred Passion.

O Most sweet Jesus! praying to the Father in the Garden, sorrowful even unto Death, and sweating blood in the Agony of Grief, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! delivered by the Traitor's Kiss into the Hands of thy Enemies, seized and bound like a Thief and abandoned by thy Disciples, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! By the unjust Verdict of the Jews, found guilty of Death, brought like a Malefactor before the Tribunal of Pilate, scorned and derided by impious Herod, have mercy on us.

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R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus ! Stripped of thy Garments, and most inhumanly scourged at the Pillar, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus ! Crowned with Thorns, blindfolded, buffeted, struck with a Reed, cloathed in derision with a purple Garment, and infinite other Ways scorned and reviled, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus ! Reputed more criminal than Barabbas the Murderer, rejected by the Jews, and condemned to the ignominious Death of the Cross, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus ! Loaded with a heavy Cross, and led like an innocent Lamb to the Place of Execution, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus ! Hanging between two Thieves, derided, blasphemed, made

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to taste Vinegar and Gall, and enduring most horrible Torments from the sixth to the ninth Hour, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Dead upon the Cross, and wounded in thy Side with a Spear, in thy holy Mother's Presence, whence issued forth Water and Blood, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus! Taken down from the Cross, and bathed with the Tears of thy most sorrowful Mother, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

O most sweet Jesus, Torn and bruised all over thy Body, bearing the sacred Marks of thy five most precious Wounds, embalmed with Spices, and laid in the Sepulchre, have mercy on us.

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

V. He truly bore our sorrows.

R. And he carried our Grief.

Let us Pray.

O God, who, for the Redemption of the World, vouchsafedst to be born, to be circumcised, to be rejected by

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by the Jews, betray'd with a Kiss, to be bound like a Malefactor, and like an innocent Lamb, to be led to slaughter, to be ignominiously brought before Annas, Caiphaz, Pilate and Herod, to be accused by false Witnesses, scourged with Whips, buffeted, defiled with Spittle, crowned with Thorns stripped of thy Cloaths, fastened to the Cross, placed between two Thieves, to have Vinegar and Gall given thee to drink, to have thy Side pierced through with a Spear: thou, O Lord, by these most grievous Pains, which I tho' unworthy do commemorate, and by thy most sacred Death and Passion, free me from the Pains of Hell, and conduct me, whither thy Mercy did conduct the good Thief crucified with thee, who together with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest for ever. *Amen.*

Devout Addresses to the Five Wounds of our Saviour.

“**L** Et us adore the Five most sacred
„ Wounds of Christ our Lord, and
„ each one in particular with a most
„ assured Confidence in his Passion and
„ Death offered for us to his eternal

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„ Father, with a most firm Hope, by
„ the Communication of his Merits, and
„ co-operation of his Grace, to obtain
„ Remission of our Sins, and Life ever-
„ lasting; With a most deep Sense of
„ Grief for our Offences and Ingratitude,
„ against his infinite Goodness, whom
„ for the Time to come we will since-
„ rely love above all Things, for his
„ own Sake; with a most firm Purpose
„ for the Future of avoiding all Kinds
„ of Sins, and their respective Occasions.
„ We will also condole with the most
„ holy Mother of Christ, whose Soul
„ was pierced with the Sword of Grief,
„ standing under the Cross of her belo-
„ ved Son: And likewise we will praise
„ and magnify the most Blessed Trinity,
„ for so great, so incomprehensible a
„ Benefit. „

To the Wound of the Left Foot.

MY Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly
adore the most sacred Wound of
thy Left Foot: I render thee Thanks
for that cruel Pain suffered with so great
Love and Charity: I feelingly compas-
sionate thy Torments, and the excessive
Grief of thy most afflicted Mother: I

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humbly beg Pardon for all my Sins, which I lament and detest more than all imaginable Evils, because they offend thee, O infinite Goodness! and I resolve never more to sin. O bring with me all sinners to a true Conversion, and give them Light to discover the Heinousness, the Enormity, and Brutality of a mortal sin.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

To the Wound of the Right Foot.

MY Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most sacred Wound of thy Right Foot: I render thee Thanks for that cruel Pain suffered with so great Love and Charity: I feelingly compassionate thy Torments, and the excessive Grief of thy most afflicted Mother: I supplicate, that thou wilt grant me Strength against all Temptations, and prompt obedience in the execution of thy divine Will. Comfort, my Jesus! all poor, miserable, afflicted, tempted and persecuted Persons. Most just Judge! govern those who administer Justice, and assist all Labourers in the Care of Souls, whether amongst Christians or Infidels.

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Our Father.

Hail Mary.

Glory be, &c.

To the Wound of the Left Hand.

MY Lord Jesus Christ ! I humbly adore the most sacred Wound of thy Left Hand : I render thee Thanks for that cruel Pain suffered with so great Love and Charity : I feelingly compassionate thy Torments , and the excessive Grief of thy most afflicted Mother. By them I beseech thee to deliver me from the Pains of Hell , and grant me Patience and Conformity to thy blessed will in all adversities of this present Life. I offer unto thee all my exterior and interior sufferings , in Satisfaction for my Sins so often deserving eternal Torments. I beg thou wilt pardon all my Enemies , and others ill-affected towards me : bless, O Lord , the Sick with Patience and Health, support with thy assisting Grace all those in Agonies , that they may not perish.

Our Father.

Hail Mary.

Glory be, &c.

To the Wound of the Right Hand.

MY Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most sacred Wound of thy Right Hand: I render thee Thanks for that cruel Pain suffered with so great Love and Charity: I feelingly compassionate thy Torments, and the excessive Grief of thy most afflicted Mother: Grant me a firm and resolute Will in all things relating to my Salvation: Bless me with final Perseverance in Grace, to secure the Enjoyment of that Glory, which was purchased with the Price of thy most precious blood. Grant also, my Jesus! speedy Peace and Repose to the souls in Purgatory; give to thy holy Servants in this World daily Progress in Perfection, especially to all those, who are of this Confraternity.

Our Father.

Hail Mary.

Glory be, &c.

To the Wound in his Sacred Side.

MY Lord Jesus Christ! I humbly adore the most sacred Wound in thy blessed Side, rendering thee Thanks for the immense Love manifested towards

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us, at the opening of thy inflamed Heart:
I feelingly condole with thy most afflicted Mother for the excessive pain, and grief, that pierced her heart with the sword of sorrow. Grant me pure Love and perfect Charity, that loving thee above all Things, and all Things in thee, my Soul may be worthy to breathe out its last in the sacred Wound of thy blessed Side. I humbly beg, dear Jesus! thou wilt protect thy Holy Catholick Church, direct thy governing Vicar upon Earth, all ecclesiastical Orders and secular Persons, who are instrumental in bringing Souls to their Duty. Preserve in thy happy Service all Christian Kings and Princes: Reduce into the Way of Salvation all those that are gone astray, whether through Malice or ignorance. Bring under thy sweet Yoke all Infidels, Hereticks, and other Enemies of thy holy Name.

Our Father.

Hail Mary.

Glory be, &c.

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, God of my Heart! by those five Wounds, which thy Love for us inflicted on thee,

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succour thy Servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious Blood. *Amen.*

Most merciful Redeemer! I Humbly beseech thee, by those inexplicable Torments, and the immense Grief, which thou wast pleased to suffer for me a contemptible Creature, especially when thy blessed Soul was bitterly separated from thy Body, that thou wilt secure my poor Soul at the final Separation, and comfort me then, as thou didst the good Thief, saying that I shall be with thee in Paradise. *Amen.*

“ **L** Et us say, three Our Fathers,
„ and three Hail Maries in Memory of the three Hours our dear
„ Redeemer hung upon the Cross, for
„ the Souls of the Faithful departed of
„ this Congregation.

Our Father, &c.

“ Let us also say one Our Father,
„ and one Hail Mary, for such as are
„ in the lamentable State of mortal Sin.

Our Father, &c.

“ Let us likewise say one Our Father,
„ and one Hail Mary for him or her
„ of this Congregation, that is to die
„ next, that the Party may be prepared,

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and depart happily, fortified with the
 holy Sacraments of the Church.

Our Father, &c.

“ Let us dispose ourselves by Acts
 of perfect Contrition, and pure Love
 of God, to receive worthily the
 Benediction of our Lord and Saviour,
 in the adorable Sacrament of the Al-
 tar. “

Merciful Redeemer ! and holy God
 of infinite Patience ! great is my
 Confusion to appear in thy divine Pre-
 sence, having so frequently postponed
 thee the Omnipotent Creator of the
 Universe to vile and contemptible Crea-
 tures : I a miserable Worm of the Earth
 do utterly detest my horrid Confidence
 of Sinning in thy most pure Sight ; I
 own myself a notorious Criminal, and I
 plead guilty at the Bar of thy dread
 Tribunal. Thou mightest have been glori-
 fied in thy Justice, by striking me sud-
 denly dead, and condemning me to
 eternal flames for base Indignities put
 upon thee : But thou wast pleased to be
 glorified in the high Prerogative of thy
 Mercy, in calling me back to Repen-
 tance. I abhor all my Crimes of Thought,
 Word and Deed, not only for the Hope of

Reward or Fear of Punishment, but likewise for thy own Sake, and because thou dost abominate them infinitely. Oh God of Majesty and Mercy! look upon those sacred Marks in thy Hands, Feet and Side, which thou still retainest in thy glorified Body to plead in my behalf. By that tender Love, which induced thee to create, redeem and sanctify me, unite the Abyfs of thy Merits to the Abyfs of my Misery. Strengthen my weakness, confirm this my resolution of never offending thee more: oh! rather let me lose every thing with life itself, than lose thy favor by mortal sin. My Heart was created for thee, and I love thee more than myself. Every Respiration coming from me especially the last, when I breathe out my Soul, shall be an irrevocable Protestation of my pure and sincere Love of thy divine Majesty. Sweet Saviour of perishing Mankind! that openest thy Hand, and fillest every Creature with Benediction, give me now such a Blessing, as thou didst bestow on thy beloved Disciples, when ascending in Triumph from Mount Olivet, that I may live and die in this happy Disposition. *Amen.*

T H E
ADMISSION PRATER
T O
J E S U S C H R I S T .

Jesus my God and Saviour, sacrificed on the Altar of the Cross for the Redemption of Mankind! I, N. tho' most unworthy, yet confiding in thy infinite Mercy, and moved by an earnest Desire and tender Devotion towards thy adorable Sufferings and Life-giving Death, do dedicate myself as a perpetual Offering to thy Divine Majesty, in the pious Association of thy painful Agony, and thy blessed Mother grieving under the Cross. I most humbly beseech thee, by thy bitter Passion, and the dolorous Separation of thy blessed Soul from thy sacred Body, that I may never depart from thee by deadly Sin. Be pleased likewise to grant me the Favour, that I and all the Associates both now and at the Hour of our Death may obtain full Remission of our Sins, and being fortified with the Sacraments of thy holy Church may with thee and by thee triumph over the Devil and Death. *Amen.*

His Holiness Benedict the 13th. has granted the following Indulgences to all the members of the Congregation of the Bona Mors.

„ 1st. **A** Plenary Indulgence to all those, who receive the blessed Eucharist on the day of their admission, if they are truly penitent & receive the Holy Eucharist.

„ 2ly. A plenary Indulgence to every member of the Congregation, who at the hour of death shall devoutly call on the sacred Name of Jesus even in his heart if unable to articulate.

„ 3ly. A plenary Indulgence to every member, who worthily approaches the Sacraments of Penance & the Holy Eucharist in the Church, where the Congregation is erected, on any one friday or sunday in the month he pleases, provided he be present at the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

„ 4ly. A plenary Indulgence to any member, who on the following Holydays shall devoutly approach the Sacraments of Penance & holy Communion in the said Church, and there pray for peace amongst Christian Prin-

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„ ces , the extirpation of heresies , the
„ conversion of Infidels & Heretics , the
„ exaltation of our Holy Mother the
„ Church , and the prosperity of the Holy
„ See. On the Feasts of the Nativity ,
„ Resurrection and ascension of our Lord
„ Jesus Christ , on the day of the Epi-
„ phany , Pentecoste , the most Holy
„ Trinity & Corpus Christi , on the
„ Feasts of the Purification , Assump-
„ tion , Conception & Nativity of our
„ Blessed Lady , on the Nativity of
„ St John the Baptist , and on the feasts
„ of each of the Apostles , of St. Joseph
„ & all Saints.

„ 5ly. An Indulgence of seven years
„ & as many Quarantains to each of
„ the members , as often as he shall de-
„ voutly attend the exposition of the
„ Blessed Sacrament on any Friday or
„ Sunday of the month , & there pray
„ for the intentions aforesaid.

„ 6ly. An Indulgence of a whole year
„ for every member as often as he shall
„ assist at a burial , or if hindered from
„ assisting corporally by sickness or any
„ other lawful impediment , for saying
„ the Lord's prayer & Angelical saluta-
„ tion at the sound of the bell for the
„ soul of the deceased. The same Indul-


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» gence is also granted for assisting at
» any public or private pious meeting,
» at the divine service, at spiritual Con-
» ferences or exhortations, or at any
» other pious duties, for hearing Mass
» on common days, for diligently exa-
» mining our conscience at night, for
» visiting the poor that are sick in
» Hospitals or private dwellings, for vi-
» siting the imprisoned.

» 7ly. Each member also if he be pro-
» perly disposed may by praying in the
» Church, where this Congregation is
» erected, according to the intention of
» his Holiness every day in Lent & on
» the days mentioned in the Roman
» Missal gain the Indulgences of the
» Stations.

» 8ly. Each of the above mentioned
» Indulgences may be applied to the
» souls in Purgatory.

» 9ly. Every member in whatsoever
» part of the world he lives, may
» gain all the above mentioned Indul-
» gences by complying with the con-
» ditions as far as lies in his power. »



THE LITANY

Of the Sacred Heart.

Lord, have Mercy on us.
 Christ, have Mercy on us.
 Lord, have Mercy on us.
 Christ, hear us.
 Christ, graciously hear us.
 God the Father of Heaven, have Mercy
 on us.
 God the Son Redeemer of the World,
 God the holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity one God,
 Heart of Jesus,
 Heart of Jesus formed in the Womb
 of the most blessed Virgin,
 Heart of Jesus hypostatically united to
 the eternal Word,
 Heart of Jesus Sanctuary of the Divi-
 nity,
 Heart of Jesus Tabernacle of the most
 holy Trinity,
 Heart of Jesus Temple of all Sanctity,
 Heart of Jesus Fountain of all Graces,
 Heart of Jesus most meek,
 Heart of Jesus most humble,
 Heart of Jesus most obedient,

Have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus most chaste, have mercy
on us.

Heart of Jesus Furnace of Love,

Heart of Jesus Source of Contrition,

Heart of Jesus Treasure of Wisdom,

Heart of Jesus Ocean of Bounty,

Heart of Jesus Throne of Mercy,

Heart of Jesus Abyfs of all Virtues,

Heart of Jesus sorrowful in the Garden,

Heart of Jesus spent with a bloody

Sweat,

Heart of Jesus gluttred with Reproaches,

Heart of Jesus consumed for our Sins,

Heart of Jesus made obedient even

unto the Death of the Cross,

Heart of Jesus pierced thro' with a Lan-

ce,

Heart of Jesus Refuge of Sinners,

Heart of Jesus Fortitude of the Just,

Heart of Jesus Comfort of the Afflicted,

Heart of Jesus main Strength of the

Tempted,

Heart of Jesus Terror of the Devils,

Heart of Jesus Sanctification of Hearts,

Heart of Jesus Perseverance of the

Good,

Heart of Jesus Hope of the Dying,

Heart of Jesus Joy of the Blessed,

Heart of Jesus the Delight of all the

Saints,

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the
Sins of the World, spare us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the
Sins of the World, hear us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the
Sins of the World, have Mercy on
us, O Jesus.

Ÿ. O most sacred Heart of Jesus, have
Mercy on us,

℞. That we may worthily love thee
with our whole Hearts.

Let us Pray.

O God! who out of thy immense
Love hast given to the Faithful the
most sacred Heart of thy Son our Lord
as the Object of their tender Affections,
grant, we beseech thee, that we may
so love and honour this Pledge of thy
Love on Earth, that by it we may
merit to love both thee and thy Gift,
and be eternally loved by thee and this
most blessed Heart in Heaven thro' the same
Jesus-Christ our Lord thy Son, who lives
and reigns with thee in the Unity of the
holy Ghost one God World without
End. *Amen.*

O sacred Heart of Jesus overflowing
with all Sweetness! to thee we recom-
mend

commend ourselves and all our Concerns,
our Friends, Benefactors, Parents and
Relations, our Superiors and Enemies:
take under thy Protection this House,
City and Kingdom: extend thy Care to
all such, as lie under any Affliction,
and to those, who labour in the Agony
and Pangs of Death: cast an Eye of
Compassion on the obstinate Sinner, and
more particularly on the poor Souls in
Purgatory, as also on all those, who are
engaged with us in the holy Confederacy
of honouring and worshiping thee. Bless
these in particular, O bountiful Heart,
and bless them according to the Extent
of thy Goodness, Mercy and Charity.
Amen.



THE REPARATION

*Of Honour to the Sacred Heart for the
Feast, &c.*

O Most amiable and adorable Heart
Centre of all Hearts, glowing with
Charity and inflamed with Zeal for the
Interest of thy Father and the Salvation
of Mankind : O Heart ever sensible of
our Misery, and ever in Motion to
redress our Evils, the real Victim of
Love in the holy Eucharist, and a propitia-
tory Sacrifice for Sin on the Altar of the
Cross : seeing that the Generality of
Christians make no other Return for
these thy Mercies, than Contempt of
thy Favours, Forgetfulness of their own
Obligation, and Ingratitude to the best
of Benefactors ; is it not just that we
thy Servants penetrated with the deepest
Sense of the like Indignities, should
enter upon a due and satisfactory Repara-
tion of Honour to thy most sacred Majesty ?
Prostrate therefore in Body and humbled
in Mind before Heaven and Earth we
solemnly declare our utter Detestation and
Abhorrence of such a Conduct. Inex-

pressible, we know, was the Bitterness, which the Multitude of our Sins brought on thy tender Heart; insufferable the Weight of our Iniquities, which pressed thy Face to the Earth in the Garden of Olives, and unsurmountable thy Anguish, when expiring with Love, Grief, and Agony on Mount Calvary in thy last Breath thou wouldst reclaim Sinners to their Duty, and Repentance. This we know, O dear Redeemer, and would most willingly share these thy sufferings by suffering with thee, and for thee.

O merciful Jesus ever present on our Altars, and with a Heart open to receive all, who labour, and are burdened! O adorable Heart Source of true Contrition, impart to our Hearts the true Spirit of Penance, and to our Eyes a Fountain of Tears, that we may bewail and wash out our Sins and those of the World with true repentance. Pardon, divine Jesus, all reproaches, outrages and injuries done thee thro' the Course of thy holy Life and bitter Passion. Pardon all the Impieties, Irreverences and Sacrileges, which have been committed against thee in the Sacrament of the Eucharist from its first Institution. Graciously receive this small Tribute of our sincere

Repentance as an agreeable Offering in thy Sight, and in Requital for the Benefits we daily receive from the Altar, where thou art a living and continual Sacrifice; receive it in Union of that bloody Holocaust, thou didst present to thy eternal Father on Mount Calvary from the Cross.

O Sweet Jesus give thy Blessing to the ardent Desire we now entertain, and to the holy Resolution, we have taken of ever loving and adoring thee after a proper Manner in thy Sacrament of Love the Eucharist; thus to repair by a true Conversion of Heart, and becoming Zeal for thy Glory our past Negligences and Infidelity. Be thou, O adorable Heart, who knowest the Clay of which we are formed, be thou our Mediator with thy Heavenly Father we have so grievously offended, strengthen our weakness, confirm our Resolution, and with thy Charity, Humility, Meekness and Patience cover the Multitude of our Iniquities; be thou our Support, our Refuge, and our Strength, that nothing henceforward in Life or Death may separate us from thee. Amen.

THE LITANY

Of the Sacred Heart of Mary.

Lord, have Mercy on us.
 Christ, have Mercy on us.
 Lord, have Mercy on us.
 Christ, hear us.
 Christ, graciously hear us.
 God the Father of heaven, have mercy on us.
 God the Son Redeemer of the world, have
 mercy on us.
 God the Holy Ghost, have mercy on us.
 Holy Trinity one God, have mercy on us.
 Heart of Mary, pray for us.
 Heart of Mary according to the Heart
 of Jesus,
 Heart of Mary united to that of Jesus,
 Heart of Mary Organ of the holy Ghost,
 Heart of Mary Sanctuary of the Di-
 vinity,
 Heart of Mary Tabernacle of a God
 incarnate,
 Heart of Mary always exempt from Sin,
 Heart of Mary always full of Grace,
 Heart of Mary blessed amongst all Hearts,
 Heart of Mary illustrious Throne of
 Glory,
 Heart of Mary Abyss and Prodigy of
 Humility,

pray for us.

Heart of Mary glorious Holocaust of divine Love, *pray for us.*

Heart of Mary nailed to the Cross of Jesus,

Heart of Mary Comfort of the Afflicted,

Heart of Mary Refuge of Sinners,

Heart of Mary Hope of the Agonizing,

Heart of Mary Seat of Mercy,

Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins of the World, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins, of the World, Hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins of the World, Have mercy on us.

†. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

✠. That we may be made worthy of the Promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Sweet Jesus! who tenderly lovest the most holy of Virgins, and art reciprocally most tenderly loved by her, grant, we beseech thee, thro' the Intercession of thy most holy Mother, and by the Resemblance her most holy Heart bore to thine, that we may ever return due Love and Affection for her Care and Tenderness in our Regard; who with the Father and holy Ghost livest and reignest World without End. Amen.

A Prayer, in which a Devout Person puts himself under the Patronage of Saint Aloysius.

Angelical Youth, Aloysius, by the particular appointment of God's Vicar upon earth, Patron of those, who apply to studies! thou who hast illustrated the Church by a holy contempt of an earthly principality, but more by the innocence of thy manners, sanctity of thy life & glory of miracles, allow me from this day to choose & adopt thee Patron & Protector of my life & studies, firmly resolved to follow the example & pattern as well of piety, as of industry, thou has set before me. For the love thou hadst for Christ Crucified & his most blessed Mother receive me as thy Client & obedient servant; aid & assist me in the pursuit of virtue & learning; nourish & increase in me a Purity of body & mind; turn off the snares laid against my Chastity; ward & defend me against the dangers of the world; inspire my heart with a true & filial confidence in the ever blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of good counsel; govern & di-

rect me in my choice of a state of life
& let the grace of God be my perpe-
tual defence against all mortal sin : that
as thou always livedst in purity & in-
tegrity truly Angelical, so assisted by thy
patronage & aided by the grace of God,
I may live chastly & holily in this world,
& deserve to be associated with thee &
joined to the company of the Angels in
heaven. Amen.



A P R A Y E R

IN HONOR OF ST. ALOYSIUS

*To be said after six times Pater & Ave &
Gloria Patri.*

Angelical youth, most loving Protector, & powerful Advocate, Aloysius! As thy most unworthy Client, yet sensible of the favour thou enjoyest with God, the just reward of thy merit, I humbly prostrate myself before the throne of thy glory. I rejoice from my soul not only for the renown of thy name illustrious upon earth by frequent & glorious prodigies; but also am overjoyed for the sublime pre-eminence, with which God has been pleased to crown thy virtues in heaven. Praise & glory be to the most sacred Trinity, who embellished thy soul with a most admirable innocence & with so many most heroic virtues. Blessed be the eternal Father, who is well pleased in thee his adoptive Child adorned with such singular prerogatives. Blessed be God the Son, who sees in thee such pure & abundant fruits of his precious blood & passion. Blessed be the Holy Ghost, who resided

in thee after a particular manner, & inflamed thy heart with an ardent Love & Charity. By these so singular favours, by thy innocence & penance equally admirable, by that love of God, which burnt in thy breast, & by his towards thee, infinite, by the unspeakable happiness thou enjoyest in heaven, I intreat thy goodness in a suppliant manner to obtain for me a true contrition & repentance, an undefiled purity of heart & a conscience free from sin & all offence of God. Be thou ever present to me, protect & defend me as well in life, as in death, when my weakness will stand most in need of & call for thy powerful assistance.

Let me also, my dear & indulgent Patron, most earnestly beg the particular Grace of N. N. which I confidently hope to obtain through thy powerful intercession. O Queen of heaven, Virgin Mother! who so much lovedst Aloysius, intercede with thy only begotten son, that by thy patronage some weight may be added to my poor & unworthy Prayers: grant this my request founded not on my own merits, which are none, but those of S. Aloysius. O most holy Virgin! may all know & be sensible, that

thou wouldst have Aloysius honoured & respected; & that, as a true mother, thou embracest such as have recourse to his protection & patronage. May the number of the Faithful, who honour thee, O Queen of Angels, & the Angelical Aloysius here on earth be daily increased, & may they yet more praise & glorify you both in heaven for all eternity.

Amen.



Prayers for Night.

IN the name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Blessed be the most holy and undivided
Trinity, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.
I believe in God, &c.

*Invoke the assistance of the Holy Ghost,
saying.*

Come, O Holy Spirit! fill the hearts
of thy faithful, and kindle in them
the fire of thy love.

V. Send forth thy Spirit, and our
hearts will be regenerated.

R. And thou wilt renew the face of
the earth.

*Place yourself in the presence of God, &
give him thanks for all the benefits you
have received from him, particularly
this day.*

O my God, I firmly believe thou art
here, and perfectly seeest me, and that

thou observest all my actions, all my thoughts, & the most secret motions of my heart. Thou watchest over me with incomparable love, every moment bestowing new favors, and preserving me from evil. Blessed be thy holy name, and may all creatures bless thy goodness for the benefits I have ever received from thee spiritual & temporal, general and particular, but more especially for all favors of this day. May the saints & angels supply my defect in rendering thee due thanks. Never permit me to be so base and wicked, as to repay thy bounties with ingratitude, and thy blessings with offences and injuries.

Ask of our Lord Jesus-Christ grace to discover the sins you have committed this day, and beg of him a true sorrow for them.

O my Lord Jesus-Christ, judge of the living and the dead, before whom I must one day appear to give an exact account of my whole life; enlighten me, I beseech thee and give me an humble and contrite heart, that I may see wherein I have offended thy infinite Majesty, and judge myself now, with such severity, that then thou mayest judge me with mercy and clemency.

Here examine what sins you have committed this day, by thought, word, deed, or omission, insisting particular on ye failings you are most subject to. Remember this nightly examen is one of your Christian duties not to be made slight of. If nothing occurs to your mind wherein you have offended, reflect on the chief sins of our life past: Then conceive a hearty sorrow for having offended God, and say.

O my God, I hate and detest these and all other sins, which I have committed against thy divine Majesty, because they are so highly offensive and displeasing to thy infinite goodness. I love thee with my whole heart, and firmly purpose, by the help of thy grace, never more to offend thee. I resolve to avoid the occasions of sin: I will confess them, and will endeavour to make satisfaction for them. Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy on me, and pardon me a wretched sinner. In the name of thy beloved Son Jesus, I humbly beg of thee, so to wash me with his precious blood, that my sins may be entirely remitted.

Endeavour as much as possible, to put yourself in the condition, you wish to be in at the hour of your death.

O my God, I accept of death as an act of homage and adoration, which I owe to thy divine Majesty, and as a punishment justly due to my sins, in union with the death of my dear Redeemer, and as the only means of coming to thee, my beginning and last end.

I firmly believe all the sacred truths the Catholick Church believes and teaches, because thou hast revealed them, who art truth itself, and canst neither deceive, nor be deceived: by the assistance of thy grace I am resolved to live and die in the communion of this thy holy church.

Relying upon thy goodness, power and promises and because thou art infinitely faithful in thy promises I hope to obtain pardon for all my sins, and life everlasting, through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ my only Redeemer, and by the intercession of his blessed Mother, and all the Saints.

I love thee above all Things with my whole Heart and Soul purely, for thyself, and desire to love thee, as the Blessed do in Heaven: I also love my Neighbour for thy Sake, as I love myself, and

I sincerely forgive all that have injured me, and ask Pardon of all I have injured. I adore all the Designs of thy divine Providence, resigning myself entirely to thy Will. I renounce the Devil with all his Works, the World with all its Poms, and the Flesh with all its Temptations: I desire to be dissolved and be with Christ.

γ. Father into thy Hands I commend my Spirit. ρ. Sweet Jesus receive my Soul. γ. May the blessed Virgin Mary, S. Joseph, and all the Saints and Angels glorify, adore and love the sacred Heart of Jesus for me this Night, and pray for me to our Lord, that I may be preserved during it from all sin and evil.

Blessed Saint Michaël defend us in the Day of Battle, that we may not be lost at the dreadful Judgment. O Angels of God, to whose Care we are committed by the supreme Clemency, enlighten, govern and defend us this Night from all Sin and Danger. Save us, ô Lord waking, and keep us sleeping, that we may watch with Christ and rest in Peace. Vouchsafe, ô Lord, this Night to keep us without Sin. ρ. Have Mercy on us, ô Lord, have Mercy on us. γ. O Lord, hear our Prayer. ρ. And let our Supplication come unto thee.

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Let us pray.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this habitation, and drive from it all the Snares of the Enemy, Let thy holy Angels dwell therein to preserve us in Peace, and may thy blessing be upon us for ever thro' Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God the Father bless us; Jesus Christ defend and keep us; the Virtue of the Holy Ghost enlighten and sanctify us this Night and for ever; and may the Souls of the faithful departed thro' the Mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

„ Remember your Angel Gardian stands
„ by you, when you undress & dress your-
„ self: behave therefore with that modesty
„ you would do if he were visibly present.
„ Sprinkle yourself & bed with holy water,
„ & being composed in it make the sign
„ of the cross upon your forehead & breast
„ to preserve you from bad dreams. Say
„ a *De profundis* for the poor souls in Pur-
„ gatory, & sleep with some pious aspira-
„ tion or thought, which you may repeat,
„ when you awake & are restless in the
„ night: „ *As*, Glory be to the Father, &c.
„ O Lord, make haste to help me. O

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Mother of God remember me, show thyself a Mother to me, I wish to be a dutiful son to thee: O my God, I love thee with all my heart, teach me to love thee & to fear thee still more: who like to my God? Satan, I renounce thee with all thy works: Jesus, Mary, Joseph.



*Short Meditations on Death, for every Day
in the Week.*

SUNDAY.

1. **W**E must all die, and quit all we now take content in.
2. Our best friends will abandon us, and leave us nothing but a winding sheet.
3. Therefore quit all affection to Creatures before they quit you.

MONDAY.

1. **D**Eath is certain, the time and manner uncertain: whether by a long disease, or some unexpected accident.
2. The Son of Man will come at an hour, we little expect.
3. Be therefore ready every moment, seeing you may die every moment.

TUESDAY.

1. **Y**OU can only die once, and if you die ill, the loss is irreparable.
2. If any one from Hell could return to life, how would he prepare for Death?
3. Let the misery of another be your Instruction.

WEDNESDAY.

D Death is often nearer, than you imagine: and many, who promised themselves a long life have been cut off suddenly.

2. Are you so ready, that if death comes to night, it will be no surprize?

3. Do not live in such a state, in which you dare not die.

THURSDAY.

1. **L** Earn every day the Art of dying well.

2. Defer not doing penance till the hour of Death.

3. At that time the pains of your body, and anguish of mind, will take up all your thoughts.

FRIDAY.

1. **L** Ive, as you intend to die; for you will die as you live.

2. If you forget God in your life time, you'll be forgotten at the hour of Death.

3. The Death of the wicked is miserable, the Death of the just is precious in the sight of God.

Y S A T U R D A Y

1. Consider, what will most affright you at the hour of Death, the sins you have committed; the doubtful state of your Soul, and the thought of Eternity.

2. O Death, how bitter is thy memory to a Man, that hath peace in his riches?

3. Quit therefore all affection to temporal felicity.

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